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HOUSE FILE 215
BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 4)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to and providing for education reform involving
- 2 student, teacher, and administrator programs and activities
- 3 under the purview of the department of education, the state
- 4 board of education, the college student aid commission,
- 5 school districts, and accredited nonpublic schools; making
- 6 appropriations and providing for the establishment and
- 7 retention of certain fees; and including transition and
- 8 effective date provisions.
- 9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1	DIVISION I
2	IOWA LEARNING ONLINE INITIATIVE - FEES AND APPROPRIATIONS
3	Section 1. Section 256.42, Code 2013, is amended by adding
4	the following new subsections:
5	NEW SUBSECTION. 8. The department shall establish fees
6	payable by school districts and accredited nonpublic schools
7	participating in the initiative. Fees collected pursuant
8	to this subsection are appropriated to the department to be
9	used only for the purpose of administering this section and
10	shall be established so as not to exceed the budgeted cost of
11	administering this section to the extent not covered by the
12	moneys appropriated in subsection 9. Providing professional
13	development necessary to prepare teachers to participate in the
14	initiative shall be considered a cost of administering this
15	section. Notwithstanding section 8.33, fees collected by the
16	department that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close
17	of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available
18	for expenditure for the purpose of expanding coursework offered
19	under the initiative in subsequent fiscal years.
20	NEW SUBSECTION. 9. There is appropriated from the general
	fund of the state to the department, for the following fiscal
	years, the following amounts, to be used for administering
	this section and for not more than three full-time equivalent
	positions:
25	a. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending
	June 30, 2014, the sum of one million five hundred thousand
	dollars.
28	b. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending
	June 30, 2015, the sum of one million five hundred thousand
	dollars.
31	c. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending
	June 30, 2016, the sum of one million five hundred thousand
	dollars.
34	DIVISION II
35	TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT OF TEACHERS

- 1 Sec. 2. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **256.95 Teach Iowa marketing and public** 2 outreach initiative.
- 3 Subject to an appropriation of sufficient funds by the
- 4 general assembly, the department shall develop and implement a
- 5 teach Iowa marketing and public outreach initiative by January
- 6 1, 2014. The initiative shall have the following goals:
- To motivate high-performing high school and college
- 8 students to enter teacher preparation programs and to enter the
- 9 teaching profession in Iowa upon successful completion of such
- 10 programs.
- 11 2. To motivate teacher candidates, especially those in
- 12 science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields, to
- 13 enter teacher preparation programs and to enter the teaching
- 14 profession in Iowa upon successful completion of such programs.
- 15 3. To recruit high-caliber teacher candidates to pursue
- 16 teaching careers in Iowa.
- 17 4. To encourage teacher candidates to pursue teaching
- 18 careers in rural Iowa.
- 19 5. To inform the public of the value of the teaching
- 20 profession and of the importance of Iowa's education system to
- 21 the future of Iowa.
- 22 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 256.96 Online state job posting
- 23 system.
- 1. The department shall provide for the operation of an
- 25 online state job posting system. The system shall be designed
- 26 and implemented for the online posting of job openings offered
- 27 by school districts, charter schools, area education agencies,
- 28 the department, and accredited nonpublic schools. The system
- 29 shall be accessible via the department's internet site. The
- 30 system shall include a mechanism for the electronic submission
- 31 of job openings for posting on the system as provided in
- 32 subsection 2. The department may contract for, or partner
- 33 with another entity for, the use of an existing internet
- 34 site to operate the online state job posting system if the
- 35 existing internet site is more effective and economical than

- 1 the department's internet site.
- A school district, charter school, or area education
- 3 agency shall submit all of its job openings to the department
- 4 for posting on the system. The department shall post all of
- 5 its job openings on the system. An accredited nonpublic school
- 6 may submit job openings to the department for posting on the
- 7 system.
- 8 3. This section shall not be construed to do any of the
- 9 following:
- 10 a. Prohibit any employer from advertising job openings and
- 11 recruiting employees independently of the system.
- 12 b. Prohibit any employer from using another method of
- 13 advertising job openings or another applicant tracking system
- 14 in addition to the system.
- 15 c. Provide the department with any regulatory authority in
- 16 the hiring process or hiring decisions of any employer other
- 17 than the department.
- 18 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 256.98 Teach Iowa student teaching
- 19 pilot project.
- 20 1. Subject to an appropriation of sufficient funds by
- 21 the general assembly, the department shall establish a teach
- 22 Iowa student teaching pilot project in collaboration with
- 23 two institutions of higher education which offer teacher
- 24 preparation programs approved by the state board of education
- 25 pursuant to section 256.7, subsection 3. The two institutions
- 26 of higher education shall include one institution of higher
- 27 education under the control of the state board of regents and
- 28 one accredited private institution as defined in section 261.9.
- 29 2. The teach Iowa student teaching pilot project shall
- 30 provide students in teacher preparation programs with a
- 31 one-year student teaching experience. A student teaching
- 32 experience provided under the pilot project must include all
- 33 of the following requirements:
- 34 a. A participating institution of higher education
- 35 shall work with one or more school districts individually

- 1 or collaboratively to place groups of students in a
- 2 student teaching experience for an entire academic year. A
- 3 participating institution of higher education shall take into
- 4 consideration geographic diversity in the selection of school
- 5 districts for participation in the pilot project.
- 6 b. A participating institution of higher education shall
- 7 supervise the student teachers in the classroom and shall
- 8 provide the students with weekly on-site instruction in
- 9 pedagogy in the participating school districts.
- The state board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A
- 11 to administer this section.
- 12 Sec. 5. Section 261.2, subsection 8, Code 2013, is amended
- 13 to read as follows:
- 8. Submit by January 15 annually a report to the general
- 15 assembly which provides, by program, the number of individuals
- 16 who received loan forgiveness in the previous fiscal year, the
- 17 amount paid to individuals under sections 261.23, and 261.73,
- 18 and 261.112, and the institutions from which individuals
- 19 graduated, and that includes any proposed statutory changes and
- 20 the commission's findings and recommendations.
- 21 Sec. 6. NEW SECTION. 261.110 Teach Iowa scholar program.
- 22 l. A teach Iowa scholar program is established to provide
- 23 teach Iowa scholar grants to selected high-caliber teachers.
- 24 The commission shall administer the program in collaboration
- 25 with the department of education.
- 26 2. An Iowa resident or nonresident applicant shall be
- 27 eligible for a teach Iowa scholar grant if the applicant
- 28 meets all of the criteria specified under, or established in
- 29 accordance with, subsection 3.
- 30 3. Criteria for eligibility shall be established by the
- 31 commission and shall include but are not limited to the
- 32 following:
- 33 a. The applicant was in the top twenty-five percent
- 34 academically of students exiting a teacher preparation program
- 35 approved by the state board of education pursuant to section

- 1 256.7, subsection 3, or a similar teacher preparation program
- 2 in another state, or had earned other comparable academic
- 3 credentials.
- 4 b. The applicant is preparing to teach in fields including
- 5 but not limited to science, technology, engineering, or
- 6 mathematics; or is preparing to teach in a hard-to-staff
- 7 subject as identified by the department. The department shall
- 8 annually identify and designate hard-to-staff subjects for the
- 9 purpose of this paragraph.
- 10 4. A selected applicant who meets all of the eligibility
- ll requirements of this section shall be eligible for a teach Iowa
- 12 scholar grant for each year of full-time employment completed
- 13 in this state as a teacher for a school district, charter
- 14 school, area education agency, or accredited nonpublic school.
- 15 A teach Iowa scholar grant shall not exceed four thousand
- 16 dollars per year per recipient. Grants awarded under this
- 17 section shall not exceed a total of twenty thousand dollars per
- 18 recipient over a five-year period.
- 19 5. The commission, in collaboration with the department
- 20 of education, shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A to
- 21 administer this section. The rules shall include but shall not
- 22 be limited to a process for use by the commission to determine
- 23 which eligible applicants will receive teach Iowa scholar
- 24 grants.
- 25 6. A teach Iowa scholar fund is established in the state
- 26 treasury. The fund shall be administered by the commission and
- 27 shall consist of moneys appropriated by the general assembly
- 28 and any other moneys received by the commission for deposit
- 29 in the fund. The moneys in the fund are appropriated to the
- 30 commission for the teach Iowa scholar program. Notwithstanding
- 31 section 8.33, moneys in the fund at the close of the fiscal
- 32 year shall not revert to the general fund of the state but
- 33 shall remain available for expenditure for the teach Iowa
- 34 scholar program for subsequent fiscal years. Notwithstanding
- 35 section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in

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1 the fund shall be credited to the fund.
             DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - TEACH IOWA FY
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 3 2013-2014. There is appropriated from the general fund of
 4 the state to the department of education for the fiscal year
5 beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, the following
6 amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
7 purposes designated:
         TEACH IOWA MARKETING AND PUBLIC OUTREACH INITIATIVE
     For purposes of developing and implementing the teach Iowa
10 marketing and public outreach initiative pursuant to section
11 256.95, if enacted, and for not more than the following
12 full-time equivalent positions:
                                                      1,000,000
                                                           3.00
14 ..... FTEs
     Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this
15
16 subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close
17 of the fiscal year for which they were appropriated shall
18 not revert but shall be transferred to the college student
19 aid commission for deposit in the teach Iowa scholar fund
20 established pursuant to section 261.110, if enacted.
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         TEACH IOWA STUDENT TEACHING PILOT PROJECT
22
     For purposes of developing and implementing the teach Iowa
23 student teaching pilot project pursuant to section 256.98,
24 if enacted, and for not more than the following full-time
25 equivalent positions:
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27 .............
     Sec. 8. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - TEACH IOWA FY
29 2014-2015.
             There is appropriated from the general fund of
30 the state to the department of education for the fiscal year
31 beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, the following
32 amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
33 purposes designated:
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         TEACH IOWA MARKETING AND PUBLIC OUTREACH INITIATIVE
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     For purposes of developing and implementing the teach Iowa
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1 marketing and public outreach initiative pursuant to section
2 256.95, if enacted, and for not more than the following
 3 full-time equivalent positions:
 4 ...... $
                                                    1,000,000
 5 ..... FTEs
                                                         3.00
     Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this
7 subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close
8 of the fiscal year for which they were appropriated shall
9 not revert but shall be transferred to the college student
10 aid commission for deposit in the teach Iowa scholar fund
11 established pursuant to section 261.110, if enacted.
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         TEACH IOWA STUDENT TEACHING PILOT PROJECT
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     For purposes of developing and implementing the teach Iowa
14 student teaching pilot project pursuant to section 256.98,
15 if enacted, and for not more than the following full-time
16 equivalent positions:
                                                    2,000,000
17 ......
18 ..... FTEs
                                                         2.00
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     Sec. 9. REPEAL. Section 261.112, Code 2013, is repealed.
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     Sec. 10. TRANSITION FUNDING PROVISIONS. On July 1, 2014,
21 any unobligated and unencumbered moneys in the teacher shortage
22 loan forgiveness repayment fund shall revert to the general
23 fund of the state. Any remaining obligations of the teacher
24 shortage loan forgiveness program continuing on or after July
25 1, 2014, shall be met with moneys in the teach Iowa scholar
26 fund established by section 261.110.
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     Sec. 11. EFFECTIVE DATE. The following provisions of this
28 division of this Act take effect July 1, 2014:
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         The section of this division of this Act amending section
30 261.2.
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         The section of this division of this Act repealing
32 section 261.112.
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                          DIVISION III
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       ASSESSMENTS - IOWA CERTIFICATE OF DISTINCTION PROGRAM
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Sec. 12. Section 256.7, subsection 21, paragraph b, Code

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- 1 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- b. A set of core academic indicators in mathematics and
- 3 reading in grades four, eight, and eleven, a set of core
- 4 academic indicators in science in grades eight and eleven, and
- 5 another set of core indicators that includes but is not limited
- 6 to graduation rate, postsecondary education, and successful
- 7 employment in Iowa. Annually, the department shall report
- 8 state data for each indicator in the condition of education
- 9 report. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection shall
- 10 specify that the approved district-wide assessment of student
- ll progress administered for purposes of this paragraph shall be
- 12 the assessment utilized by school districts statewide in the
- 13 school year beginning July 1, 2011, or a successor assessment
- 14 administered by the same assessment provider. However, at a
- 15 time determined by the director during the spring of the school
- 16 year beginning July 1, 2014, subject to an appropriation from
- 17 the general assembly for such purpose, the rules shall provide
- 18 that all students enrolled in school districts in grades
- 19 three through eight and grade eleven, prior to advancement
- 20 to the next grade, shall be administered an assessment that
- 21 is aligned to the Iowa common core standards in both content
- 22 and rigor; accurately describes student achievement and
- 23 growth for purposes of the school, the school district, and
- 24 state accountability systems; and provides valid, reliable,
- 25 and fair measures of student progress toward college or
- 26 career readiness. The state board may submit to the general
- 27 assembly recommendations the state board deems appropriate for
- 28 modifications of assessments of student progress administered
- 29 for purposes of this paragraph.
- 30 Sec. 13. NEW SECTION. 256.27 Iowa certificate of
- 31 distinction program and council.
- 32 l. An Iowa certificate of distinction program is
- 33 established within the department. The program shall be
- 34 designed by the director, in collaboration with local education
- 35 agencies and accredited higher education institutions, to

- 1 accomplish the following objectives if implemented by a school
- 2 district or accredited nonpublic school:
- 3 a. To define college- and career-ready performance
- 4 expectations that are aligned to national and international
- 5 college- and career-ready standards.
- 6 b. To compel stronger alignment of curriculum, instruction,
- 7 and assessment with the knowledge, skills, and abilities most
- 8 predictive of student success in secondary and postsecondary
- 9 education programs, and in careers.
- 10 c. To identify students who upon graduation from high school
- 11 demonstrate specific competencies aligned with college and
- 12 career readiness.
- 13 d. To validate that students have met specific expectations
- 14 and demonstrated essential competencies or skills identified
- 15 by the department as important across a range of education and
- 16 career opportunities.
- 17 e. To recognize students by awarding a certificate of
- 18 distinction associated with specific subjects or areas of
- 19 accomplishment.
- 20 f. (1) To encourage institutions of higher education
- 21 governed by the state board of regents and accredited private
- 22 institutions as defined in section 261.9 to consider the
- 23 certificate of distinction in assessing whether an applicant
- 24 meets the institution's requirements for admission.
- 25 (2) To encourage community colleges to exempt students
- 26 awarded a certificate of distinction by meeting college-
- 27 or career-readiness standards from additional placement or
- 28 readiness testing.
- 29 (3) To integrate the Iowa certificate of distinction in
- 30 career-readiness and college-readiness program with the I have
- 31 a plan Iowa program administered by the college student aid
- 32 commission, the Iowa core implementation plan, competency-based
- 33 education, the skilled Iowa program administered by the
- 34 department of workforce development, the economic development
- 35 authority's targeted industries program, the Iowa science,

- 1 technology, engineering, and mathematics advisory council, and
- 2 other statewide workforce initiatives as appropriate.
- 3 g. To encourage business and industry to realize the
- 4 benefits of the certificate of distinction program.
- 5 2. The certificate of distinction program council is
- 6 created within the department to regularly advise and make
- 7 recommendations to the director and the state board on the
- 8 operation of the certificate of distinction program. The
- 9 governor shall appoint the council's members.
- 10 a. The council shall submit its findings and recommendations
- 11 periodically and at least annually in a report to the governor,
- 12 the director, and the state board. The council shall do the
- 13 following:
- 14 (1) Recommend specific academic or skill areas for which
- 15 an certificate of distinction may be awarded, including but
- 16 not limited to certificates related to college-readiness,
- 17 specialized academic pathways, and specialized career and
- 18 technical pathways including fields related to science,
- 19 technology, engineering, and mathematics.
- 20 (2) Recommend standards for certificates of distinction
- 21 that reflect the high quality of work a student must complete
- 22 throughout a significant portion of the student's secondary
- 23 education, and not merely during a single year.
- 24 (3) Recommend specific requirements and criteria for
- 25 awarding a certificate of distinction in each subject or area
- 26 of accomplishment. The requirements shall include but not be
- 27 limited to the demonstration of competencies in both content
- 28 and universal constructs through the following:
- 29 (a) A core course of study.
- 30 (b) A specialized course of study related to each area for
- 31 which a certificate of distinction may be awarded.
- 32 (c) Multiple assessments and demonstrations of competency
- 33 in a variety of formats including but not limited to at least
- 34 one standardized measure of college readiness and the national
- 35 career readiness certificate.

- 1 (d) A capstone project portfolio demonstrating academic and 2 nonacademic skills and abilities associated with postsecondary
- 3 academic success. The recommendation shall include the content
- 4 areas in which a capstone project may be completed and an
- 5 optional capstone project focusing on entrepreneurship or
- 6 entrepreneurial education.
- 7 (4) Recommend, as necessary, adjustments to types or
- 8 categories of certificates of distinction available for award
- 9 based on criteria to be determined by the state board.
- 10 (5) Recommend a tiered implementation schedule that
- 11 begins July 1, 2014, has a goal of making some certificates of
- 12 distinction available for award to the 2015 graduating class,
- 13 and results in full implementation of the program by July 1,
- 14 2017.
- 15 (6) Recommend a strategy to meet the objective established
- 16 in subsection 1, paragraph "f".
- 17 (7) Recommend a strategy to encourage participating Iowa
- 18 businesses and industries to establish hiring preferences to
- 19 an applicant who was awarded a certificate of distinction,
- 20 including but not limited to a certificate that requires
- 21 attainment of a national career readiness certificate and other
- 22 readiness criteria.
- 23 b. The council shall be comprised of at least twenty
- 24 voting members representing the elementary and secondary
- 25 education community, the postsecondary education community,
- 26 small business employers, medium-size business employers, large
- 27 business employers, local government, state government, and
- 28 economic development entities. Members shall be appointed
- 29 to reflect a balance between educators and noneducators. In
- 30 selecting individuals for appointment to the council, the
- 31 governor shall seek nominations from the following entities:
- 32 (1) The Iowa business council.
- 33 (2) The Iowa association of business and industry.
- 34 (3) The Iowa chamber alliance.
- 35 (4) The professional developers of Iowa.

- 1 (5) The department of workforce development.
- 2 (6) The economic development authority.
- 3 (7) An association representing individuals providing Iowa
- 4 career and technical education.
- 5 (8) An association comprised of Iowa school counselors.
- 6 (9) A statewide organization representing Iowa
- 7 municipalities.
- 8 (10) The Iowa council of governments.
- 9 (11) The state board of regents, which shall submit
- 10 nominations for at least three prospective members.
- 11 (12) An association representing accredited private
- 12 institutions as defined in section 261.9.
- 13 (13) A statewide association representing Iowa's community
- 14 college presidents.
- 15 (14) A statewide association representing Iowa school
- 16 administrators licensed under chapter 272.
- 17 (15) A statewide association representing the boards of
- 18 directors of Iowa school districts.
- 19 (16) A statewide association representing Iowa's accredited
- 20 nonpublic schools.
- 21 (17) A statewide organization made up of the Iowa school
- 22 districts with the largest enrollments.
- 23 (18) A statewide organization representing teachers
- 24 licensed under chapter 272.
- c. Four members of the general assembly shall serve as ex
- 26 officio, nonvoting members of the council, with one member to
- 27 be appointed by each of the following: the majority leader of
- 28 the senate, the minority leader of the senate, the speaker of
- 29 the house of representatives, and the minority leader of the
- 30 house of representatives. A legislative member serves for a
- 31 term as provided in section 69.16B and is eligible for per diem
- 32 and expenses as provided in section 2.10.
- The state board shall adopt, and may amend, standards,
- 34 requirements, and criteria for awarding a certificate of
- 35 distinction, which shall be made available to school districts

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1 and participating accredited nonpublic schools not later than 2 July 1, 2014.
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3 4. By June 1, 2014, the state board shall adopt rules

4 pursuant to chapter 17A for the administration of this section,

- 5 including but not limited to rules establishing the minimum
- 6 components of the certificate of distinction program that
- 7 are part of the educational standards under section 256.11,
- 8 subsection 5. The rules shall require participating school
- 9 districts to note achievement of a certificate of distinction
- 10 on a qualifying student's high school transcript.
- 11 5. The authorities in charge of an accredited nonpublic
- 12 school may elect to participate in the certificate of
- 13 distinction program, and may offer students enrolled in the
- 14 school the opportunity to participate in the program.
- 15 Sec. 14. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CERTIFICATE OF
- 16 DISTINCTION PROGRAM. There is appropriated from the
- 17 general fund of the state to the department of education
- 18 for the following fiscal years the following amounts, or so
- 19 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
- 20 designated:
- 21 For purposes of developing and implementing the certificate
- 22 of distinction program pursuant to section 256.27, if enacted:
- 23 FY 2013-2014..... \$ 200,000
- 24 DIVISION IV
- 25 TEACHER AND ADMINISTRATOR DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM
- Sec. 15. Section 256.7, Code 2013, is amended by adding the
- 27 following new subsection:
- 28 NEW SUBSECTION. 33. Adopt rules establishing a statewide
- 29 system of evaluation and performance review requirements for
- 30 teachers and a statewide system of evaluation requirements for
- 31 administrators. The systems shall align with Iowa teaching
- 32 standards or the Iowa standards for school administrators, as
- 33 appropriate, and shall use clear and concise evaluation and
- 34 performance review criteria and descriptors; provide for a
- 35 fair and balanced use of student outcome measures, comprised

- 1 of objective, reliable measurers of student growth, classroom
- 2 observations and student surveys; include a tiered evaluation
- 3 or performance review system that differentiates at least
- 4 three levels of teacher performance; and be applicable to
- 5 all teachers and school administrators, as appropriate, in a
- 6 charter school, school district, or area education agency.
- 7 Sec. 16. Section 256.9, subsections 46 and 51, Code 2013,
- 8 are amended to read as follows:
- 9 46. Develop core knowledge and skill criteria, based upon
- 10 significantly shaped by the Iowa teaching standards and the
- 11 interstate teacher assessment and support consortium's model
- 12 core teaching standards, for the evaluation, the advancement,
- 13 and for teacher career development purposes pursuant to chapter
- 14 284. The criteria shall further define the characteristics of
- 15 quality teaching as established by the Iowa teaching standards
- 16 and the interstate teacher assessment and support consortium's
- 17 model core teaching standards. The director, in consultation
- 18 with the board of educational examiners, shall also develop a
- 19 transition plan for implementation of the career development
- 20 standards developed pursuant to section 256.7, subsection 25,
- 21 with regard to licensure renewal requirements. The plan shall
- 22 include a requirement that practitioners be allowed credit for
- 23 career development completed prior to implementation of the
- 24 career development standards developed pursuant to section
- 25 256.7, subsection 25.
- 26 51. Develop, and periodically review and revise as
- 27 necessary, Iowa standards for school administrators, including
- 28 knowledge and skill criteria, and develop, based on the
- 29 Iowa standards for administrators, mentoring and induction,
- 30 evaluation processes, and professional development plans
- 31 pursuant to chapter 284A. The criteria shall further define
- 32 the characteristics of quality administrators as established by
- 33 the Iowa standards for school administrators.
- 34 Sec. 17. Section 256.9, Code 2013, is amended by adding the
- 35 following new subsection:

- 1 NEW SUBSECTION. 63. Do all of the following by July 1,
- 2 2015, in order to develop and implement an Iowa educator
- 3 development system:
- 4 a. (1) Develop by July 1, 2015, additional Iowa teaching
- 5 standards designed specifically for purposes of chapters 279
- 6 and 284. The additional standards shall align with nationally
- 7 accepted teaching standards. Based upon the standards
- 8 developed pursuant to this paragraph, the director shall
- 9 develop core knowledge and skill criteria for the evaluation
- 10 and advancement of teachers, and for teacher career development
- 11 purposes pursuant to chapter 284. The criteria shall further
- 12 define the characteristics of quality teaching as significantly
- 13 shaped by the Iowa teaching standards and the interstate
- 14 teacher assessment and support consortium's model core teaching
- 15 standards.
- 16 (2) The Iowa teaching standards developed pursuant to
- 17 subparagraph (1) shall be based on significant input from the
- 18 council on educator development established and convened by the
- 19 director. By October 15, 2015, the director shall submit to
- 20 the state board and to the general assembly recommendations
- 21 for changes in policy or statute necessary to implement the
- 22 Iowa teaching standards developed pursuant to subparagraph (1).
- 23 This subparagraph is repealed July 1, 2016.
- 24 b. Develop and implement Iowa standards for school
- 25 administrators designed specifically for purposes of chapters
- 26 272 and 284A. The standards shall be based on significant
- 27 input from Iowa administrators and align with nationally
- 28 accepted school administrator standards.
- 29 c. Review and, where necessary, revise the standards and
- 30 requirements for the evaluator training program established
- 31 pursuant to section 284.10.
- d. Develop and implement a coaching and support system for
- 33 teachers aligned with the Iowa teacher career paths, leadership
- 34 roles, and compensation framework established pursuant to
- 35 section 284.15, if enacted.

- 1 e. Develop and implement a coaching and support system
- 2 for administrators aligned with the beginning administrator
- 3 mentoring and induction program created pursuant to section 4 284A.5.
- 5 Sec. 18. Section 272.9A, subsection 1, Code 2013, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 1. Beginning July 1, 2007, requirements Requirements for
- 8 administrator licensure beyond an initial license shall include
- 9 completion of a beginning administrator mentoring and induction
- 10 program and demonstration of competence on the administrator
- 11 Iowa standards for school administrators adopted pursuant to
- 12 section 284A.3 256.7, subsection 27.
- 13 Sec. 19. Section 279.14, subsection 1, Code 2013, is amended
- 14 to read as follows:
- 15 1. The board shall establish written evaluation criteria
- 16 and shall establish and annually implement evaluation
- 17 procedures. The evaluation criteria and procedures shall be
- 18 consistent with the statewide system of performance review
- 19 requirements established by the state board pursuant to section
- 20 256.7, subsection 33, and the provisions of chapter 284. If
- 21 an exclusive bargaining representative has been certified, the
- 22 board shall negotiate in good faith with respect to evaluation
- 23 procedures pursuant to chapter 20.
- Sec. 20. Section 279.23A, Code 2013, is amended to read as
- 25 follows:
- 26 279.23A Evaluation criteria and procedures.
- 27 The board shall establish written evaluation criteria and
- 28 shall establish and annually implement evaluation procedures.
- 29 The evaluation criteria and procedures shall be consistent
- 30 with the statewide system of evaluation requirements for
- 31 administrators established by the state board pursuant to
- 32 section 256.7, subsection 33, and with the provisions of
- 33 chapter 284A. The board shall also establish written job
- 34 descriptions for all supervisory positions.
- 35 Sec. 21. Section 284.3, subsections 2 and 3, Code 2013, are

1 amended to read as follows:

- 2 2. A school board shall provide for the following:
- 3 a. For purposes of comprehensive evaluations for beginning
- 4 teachers required to allow beginning teachers to progress to
- 5 career teachers, standards and criteria that are the Iowa
- 6 teaching standards specified in subsection 1 and the criteria
- 7 for the Iowa teaching standards developed by the department in
- 8 accordance with section 256.9, subsection 46 director. These
- 9 standards and criteria shall be set forth in an instrument
- 10 provided by the department. The comprehensive evaluation
- 11 and instrument are not subject to negotiations or grievance
- 12 procedures pursuant to chapter 20 or determinations made by the
- 13 board of directors under section 279.14. A local school board
- 14 and its certified bargaining representative may negotiate,
- 15 pursuant to chapter 20, evaluation and grievance procedures for
- 16 beginning teachers that are not in conflict with this chapter.
- 17 If, in accordance with section 279.19, a beginning teacher
- 18 appeals the determination of a school board to an adjudicator
- 19 under section 279.17, the adjudicator selected shall have
- 20 successfully completed training related to the Iowa teacher
- 21 standards, the criteria adopted by the state board of education
- 22 in accordance with subsection 3, and any additional training
- 23 required under rules adopted by the public employment relations
- 24 board in cooperation with the state board of education.
- 25 b. For purposes of performance reviews for teachers other
- 26 than beginning teachers, evaluations that contain, at a
- 27 minimum, the Iowa teaching standards specified in subsection 1
- 28 and the interstate teacher assessment and support consortium's
- 29 model core teaching standards, as well as the criteria for the
- 30 Iowa additional teaching standards developed by the department
- 31 in accordance with section 256.9, subsection 46 director,
- 32 and a balanced use of student outcome measurers, comprised
- 33 of objective, reliable measures of student growth, classroom
- 34 observation, and student surveys. A local school board and its
- 35 certified bargaining representative may negotiate, pursuant

- 1 to chapter 20, additional teaching standards and criteria. A
- 2 local school board and its certified bargaining representative
- 3 shall negotiate, pursuant to chapter 20, evaluation and
- 4 grievance procedures for teachers other than beginning teachers
- 5 that are not in conflict with this chapter.
- 6 3. The state board shall adopt by rule pursuant to chapter
- 7 17A the criteria developed by the department in accordance with
- 8 section 256.9, subsection 46 director.
- 9 Sec. 22. Section 284.8, subsection 2, Code 2013, is amended
- 10 to read as follows:
- 11 2. If a supervisor or an evaluator determines, at any
- 12 time, as a result of a teacher's performance that the teacher
- 13 is not meeting district expectations under the Iowa teaching
- 14 standards specified in section 284.3, subsection 1, paragraphs
- 15 "a" through "h", the criteria for the Iowa teaching standards
- 16 developed by the department in accordance with section 256.9,
- 17 subsection 46 director, and any other standards or criteria
- 18 established in the collective bargaining agreement, the
- 19 evaluator shall, at the direction of the teacher's supervisor,
- 20 recommend to the district that the teacher participate in an
- 21 intensive assistance program. The intensive assistance program
- 22 and its implementation are subject to negotiation and grievance
- 23 procedures established pursuant to chapter 20. All school
- 24 districts shall be prepared to offer an intensive assistance
- 25 program.
- Sec. 23. Section 284A.2, subsection 3, Code 2013, is amended
- 27 to read as follows:
- 28 3. "Comprehensive evaluation" means a summative evaluation
- 29 of a beginning administrator conducted by an evaluator
- 30 in accordance with section 284A.3 284A.4 for purposes of
- 31 determining a beginning administrator's level of competency
- 32 for recommendation for licensure based on the Iowa standards
- 33 for school administrators adopted pursuant to section 256.7,
- 34 subsection 27.
- 35 Sec. 24. Section 284A.3, Code 2013, is amended to read as

- 1 follows:
- 2 284A.3 Iowa standards for school administrators administrator
- 3 evaluations.
- 4 By July 1, 2008, each school board shall provide for
- 5 evaluations for administrators under individual professional
- 6 development plans developed in accordance with section 279.23A,
- 7 and the Iowa standards for school administrators and related
- 8 criteria adopted by the state board in accordance with section
- 9 256.7, subsection 27. A local school board may establish
- 10 additional administrator standards and related criteria. This
- 11 section is repealed July 1, 2015.
- 12 Sec. 25. COUNCIL ON EDUCATOR DEVELOPMENT ESTABLISHED.
- 13 1. The director of the department of education shall
- 14 establish and convene a council on educator development
- 15 to review the current teacher and administrator evaluation
- 16 requirements and the teacher performance review requirements,
- 17 and to make recommendations to the director regarding
- 18 improvement to the evaluation and performance review
- 19 requirements for teachers and to the evaluation requirements
- 20 for administrators.
- 21 2. The council shall make recommendations to the director
- 22 concerning development of the following:
- 23 a. A holistic vision of teacher and administrator
- 24 development and dissemination of this vision to schools, school
- 25 districts, and area education agencies.
- 26 b. Methods designed to foster a culture of continuous
- 27 learning and improvement within schools, school districts,
- 28 and area education agencies with differentiated supports for
- 29 educators.
- 30 c. Iowa teaching standards and the administrator standards
- 31 for school administrators.
- 32 d. Performance review for teachers and evaluation criteria
- 33 for teachers and administrators.
- e. A method for incorporating a fair and balanced use of
- 35 student outcome measures comprised of objective, reliable

- 1 measures of student growth, classroom observation, and student
- 2 surveys, into teacher evaluations.
- 3 f. A means to differentiate levels of teacher performance.
- 4 3. The council shall be comprised of at least seventeen
- 5 voting members appointed by the director as follows:
- 6 a. Eight members representing education stakeholders; four
- 7 of whom shall be practitioners knowledgeable about the Iowa
- 8 core curriculum, and four of whom shall be knowledgeable about
- 9 current education research and practice in educator quality.
- 10 b. One member representing the department of education, who
- 11 shall serve as chairperson of the council.
- 12 c. One member representing the area education agencies.
- d. One member representing a certified employee
- 14 organization representing teachers licensed under chapter 272.
- 15 e. One member representing a statewide organization
- 16 representing school administrators licensed under chapter 272.
- 17 f. One member representing rural school districts selected
- 18 by a statewide organization representing the boards of
- 19 directors of school districts.
- 20 g. One member representing an organization made up of Iowa
- 21 school districts with the largest student enrollments.
- 22 h. One member representing Iowa's approved teacher
- 23 preparation programs.
- i. One member representing Iowa's approved administrator
- 25 preparation programs.
- j. One member representing parents of Iowa elementary or
- 27 secondary students.
- 28 k. Other education stakeholders as determined by the
- 29 director.
- 30 4. Four members of the general assembly shall serve as ex
- 31 officio, nonvoting members of the council, with one member to
- 32 be appointed by each of the following: the majority leader of
- 33 the senate, the minority leader of the senate, the speaker of
- 34 the house of representatives, and the minority leader of the
- 35 house of representatives.

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1 5. The council shall submit its findings and
2 recommendations to the state board of education, the governor,
3 and the general assembly by January 1, 2015.
4 6. The director shall consider the findings and
5 recommendations of the council to revise evaluator training in
6 accordance with section 256.9, subsection 63; and to develop
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- 7 a statewide system of performance review requirements for
- 8 teachers and a statewide system of evaluation requirements for
- 9 administrators which the director shall submit to the state
- 10 board of education for approval.
- 11 Sec. 26. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION EDUCATOR DEVELOPMENT
- 12 SYSTEM. There is appropriated from the general fund of the
- 13 state to the department of education for the fiscal period
- 14 beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015, the following
- 15 amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
- 16 purposes designated:
- 17 For purposes of developing and implementing an Iowa educator
- 18 development system pursuant to section 256.9, subsection 63,
- 19 if enacted, and establishing a council on educator development
- 20 pursuant to this Act:
- 21 FY 2013-2014..... \$ 500,000
- 22 FY 2014-2015..... \$ 3,500,000
- 23 Of the moneys appropriated each fiscal year for purposes of
- 24 this section, up to \$300,000 may be used by the department for
- 25 administrative purposes and for not more than three full-time
- 26 equivalent positions.
- 27 DIVISION V
- 28 IOWA TEACHER CAREER AND COMPENSATION MATTERS
- 29 Sec. 27. Section 257.1, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 30 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- 31 b. For the budget year commencing July 1, 1999, and for each
- 32 succeeding budget year the regular program foundation base per
- 33 pupil is eighty-seven and five-tenths percent of the regular
- 34 program state cost per pupil. For the budget year commencing
- 35 July 1, 1991, and for each succeeding budget year the special

- 1 education support services foundation base is seventy-nine
- 2 percent of the special education support services state cost
- 3 per pupil. The combined foundation base is the sum of the
- 4 regular program foundation base, the special education support
- 5 services foundation base, the total teacher salary supplement
- 6 district cost, the total professional development supplement
- 7 district cost, the total early intervention supplement district
- 8 cost, the total teacher leadership supplement district cost,
- 9 the total area education agency teacher salary supplement
- 10 district cost, and the total area education agency professional
- 11 development supplement district cost.
- 12 Sec. 28. Section 257.1, subsection 3, Code 2013, is amended
- 13 to read as follows:
- 3. Computations rounded. In making computations and
- 15 payments under this chapter, except in the case of computations
- 16 relating to funding of special education support services,
- 17 media services, and educational services provided through the
- 18 area education agencies, and the teacher salary supplement, the
- 19 professional development supplement, and the early intervention
- 20 supplement, and the teacher leadership supplement, the
- 21 department of management shall round amounts to the nearest
- 22 whole dollar.
- 23 Sec. 29. Section 257.4, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
- 24 2013, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:
- 25 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (8) The total teacher leadership
- 26 supplement district cost.
- 27 Sec. 30. Section 257.8, subsection 2, Code 2013, is amended
- 28 to read as follows:
- 29 2. Categorical state percent of growth. The categorical
- 30 state percent of growth for the budget year beginning July 1,
- 31 2010, is two percent. The categorical state percent of growth
- 32 for the budget year beginning July 1, 2012, is two percent.
- 33 The categorical state percent of growth for each budget year
- 34 shall be established by statute which shall be enacted within
- 35 thirty days of the submission in the year preceding the

- 1 base year of the governor's budget under section 8.21. The
- 2 establishment of the categorical state percent of growth for a
- 3 budget year shall be the only subject matter of the bill which
- 4 enacts the categorical state percent of growth for a budget
- 5 year. The categorical state percent of growth may include
- 6 state percents of growth for the teacher salary supplement, the
- 7 professional development supplement, and the early intervention
- 8 supplement, and the teacher leadership supplement.
- 9 Sec. 31. Section 257.9, Code 2013, is amended by adding the
- 10 following new subsection:
- 11 NEW SUBSECTION. 11. Teacher leadership supplement state cost
- 12 per pupil. The teacher leadership supplement state cost per
- 13 pupil amount for the budget year beginning July 1, 2014, shall
- 14 be calculated by the department of management by dividing the
- 15 allocation amount for the budget year beginning July 1, 2014,
- 16 in section 284.13, subsection 1, paragraph "Oe", subparagraph
- 17 (5), by one-third of the statewide total budget enrollment for
- 18 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014. The teacher leadership
- 19 supplement state cost per pupil for the budget year beginning
- 20 July 1, 2015, and succeeding budget years, shall be the teacher
- 21 leadership supplement state cost per pupil for the base year
- 22 plus an allowable growth amount that is equal to the teacher
- 23 leadership supplement categorical state percent of growth,
- 24 pursuant to section 257.8, subsection 2, for the budget year,
- 25 multiplied by the teacher leadership supplement state cost per
- 26 pupil for the base year.
- 27 Sec. 32. Section 257.10, subsection 8, paragraph a, Code
- 28 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- 29 a. Combined district cost is the sum of the regular program
- 30 district cost per pupil multiplied by the weighted enrollment,
- 31 the special education support services district cost, the total
- 32 teacher salary supplement district cost, the total professional
- 33 development supplement district cost, and the total early
- 34 intervention supplement district cost, and the total teacher
- 35 leadership supplement district cost, plus the sum of the

- 1 additional district cost allocated to the district to fund
- 2 media services and educational services provided through the
- 3 area education agency, the area education agency total teacher
- 4 salary supplement district cost and the area education agency
- 5 total professional development supplement district cost.
- 6 Sec. 33. Section 257.10, Code 2013, is amended by adding the
- 7 following new subsection:
- 8 NEW SUBSECTION. 12. Teacher leadership supplement cost per
- 9 pupil and district cost.
- 10 a. The teacher leadership supplement district cost per
- 11 pupil amount for the budget year beginning July 1, 2014, shall
- 12 be calculated by the department of management by dividing the
- 13 allocation amount for the budget year beginning July 1, 2014,
- 14 in section 284.13, subsection 1, paragraph "0e", subparagraph
- 15 (5), by one-third of the statewide total budget enrollment
- 16 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014. For the budget
- 17 year beginning July 1, 2015, and succeeding budget years, the
- 18 teacher leadership supplement district cost per pupil for each
- 19 school district for a budget year is the teacher leadership
- 20 supplement program district cost per pupil for the base year
- 21 plus the teacher leadership supplement state allowable growth
- 22 amount for the budget year.
- 23 b. For the budget year beginning July 1, 2015, and
- 24 succeeding budget years, if the department of management
- 25 determines that the unadjusted teacher leadership supplement
- 26 district cost of a school district for a budget year is less
- 27 than one hundred percent of the unadjusted teacher leadership
- 28 supplement district cost for the base year for the school
- 29 district, the school district shall receive a budget adjustment
- 30 for that budget year equal to the difference.
- 31 c. (1) The unadjusted teacher leadership supplement
- 32 district cost is the teacher leadership supplement district
- 33 cost per pupil for each school district for a budget year
- 34 multiplied by the budget enrollment for that school district.
- 35 (2) The total teacher leadership supplement district cost

- 1 is the sum of the unadjusted teacher leadership supplement
- 2 district cost plus the budget adjustment for that budget year.
- 3 d. For the budget year beginning July 1, 2014, and
- 4 succeeding budget years, the use of the funds calculated under
- 5 this subsection shall comply with the requirements of chapter
- 6 284 and shall be distributed to teachers pursuant to section
- 7 284.15. The funds shall be used only to increase the stipend
- 8 payment for a model, mentor, or lead teacher; to increase the
- 9 percentages of model, mentor, or lead teachers; to increase the
- 10 minimum teacher starting salary to thirty-two thousand dollars;
- ll or to cover the costs for the time mentor and lead teachers are
- 12 not providing instruction to students in a classroom.
- 13 Sec. 34. Section 257.16, subsection 4, Code 2013, is amended
- 14 to read as follows:
- 15 4. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, if
- 16 the governor orders budget reductions in accordance with
- 17 section 8.31, the teacher salary supplement district cost,
- 18 the professional development supplement district cost, and
- 19 the early intervention supplement district cost, and the
- 20 teacher leadership supplement district cost as calculated
- 21 under section 257.10, subsections 9, 10, and 11, and 12, and
- 22 the area education agency teacher salary supplement district
- 23 cost and the area education agency professional development
- 24 supplement district cost as calculated under section 257.37A,
- 25 subsections 1 and 2, shall be paid in full as calculated and
- 26 the reductions in the appropriations provided in accordance
- 27 with this section shall be reduced from the remaining moneys
- 28 appropriated pursuant to this section and shall be distributed
- 29 on a per pupil basis calculated with the weighted enrollment
- 30 determined in accordance with section 257.6, subsection 5.
- 31 Sec. 35. Section 282.18, subsection 7, Code 2013, is amended
- 32 to read as follows:
- 33 7. A pupil participating in open enrollment shall be
- 34 counted, for state school foundation aid purposes, in the
- 35 pupil's district of residence. A pupil's residence, for

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1 purposes of this section, means a residence under section
 2 282.1. The board of directors of the district of residence
 3 shall pay to the receiving district the state cost per
 4 pupil for the previous school year, the teacher leadership
 5 supplement district cost per pupil for the previous fiscal
 6 year as provided in section 257.10, and the teacher leadership
 7 supplement state cost per pupil for the previous fiscal year
 8 as provided in section 257.9, plus any moneys received for
 9 the pupil as a result of the non-English speaking weighting
10 under section 280.4, subsection 3, for the previous school
11 year multiplied by the state cost per pupil for the previous
12 year. If the pupil participating in open enrollment is also
13 an eligible pupil under section 261E.6, the receiving district
14 shall pay the tuition reimbursement amount to an eligible
15 postsecondary institution as provided in section 261E.7.
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      Sec. 36. Section 284.2, subsections 1, 7, and 8, Code 2013,
17 are amended to read as follows:
      1. "Beginning teacher" means an individual serving under an
18
19 initial or intern license, issued by the board of educational
20 examiners under chapter 272, who is assuming a position as a
21 teacher. "Beginning teacher" includes an individual who is
22 an initial teacher. For purposes of the beginning teacher
23 mentoring and induction program created pursuant to section
24 284.5, "beginning teacher" also includes preschool teachers
25 who are licensed by the board of educational examiners under
26 chapter 272 and are employed by a school district or area
27 education agency. "Beginning teacher" does not include a
28 teacher whose employment with a school district or area
29 education agency is probationary unless the teacher is serving
30 under an initial or teacher intern license issued by the board
31 of educational examiners under chapter 272.
      7. "Mentor" means an individual employed by a school
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33 district or area education agency as a teacher or a retired

35 272. The individual must have a record of four two years

34 teacher who holds a valid license issued under chapter

- 1 of successful teaching practice, must be employed on a
- 2 nonprobationary basis, and must demonstrate professional
- 3 commitment to both the improvement of teaching and learning and
- 4 the development of beginning teachers.
- 5 8. "Performance review" means a summative evaluation of
- 6 a teacher other than a beginning teacher and that is used
- 7 to determine whether the teacher's practice meets school
- 8 district expectations and the Iowa teaching standards, and to
- 9 determine whether the teacher's practice meets school district
- 10 expectations for career advancement in accordance with section
- 11 284.7 284.8.
- 12 Sec. 37. Section 284.3, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
- 13 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- 14 a. For purposes of comprehensive evaluations for, standards
- 15 and criteria which measure a beginning teachers required to
- 16 allow beginning teachers to progress to career teachers,
- 17 standards and criteria that are teacher's performance against
- 18 the Iowa teaching standards specified in subsection 1, and
- 19 the criteria for the Iowa teaching standards developed by the
- 20 department in accordance with section 256.9, subsection 46 to
- 21 determine whether the teacher's practice meets the requirements
- 22 specified for a career teacher. These standards and criteria
- 23 shall be set forth in an instrument provided by the department.
- 24 The comprehensive evaluation and instrument are not subject to
- 25 negotiations or grievance procedures pursuant to chapter 20 or
- 26 determinations made by the board of directors under section
- 27 279.14. A local school board and its certified bargaining
- 28 representative may negotiate, pursuant to chapter 20,
- 29 evaluation and grievance procedures for beginning teachers that
- 30 are not in conflict with this chapter. If, in accordance with
- 31 section 279.19, a beginning teacher appeals the determination
- 32 of a school board to an adjudicator under section 279.17, the
- 33 adjudicator selected shall have successfully completed training
- 34 related to the Iowa teacher standards, the criteria adopted by
- 35 the state board of education in accordance with subsection 3,

- 1 and any additional training required under rules adopted by the
- 2 public employment relations board in cooperation with the state
- 3 board of education.
- 4 Sec. 38. Section 284.3A, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
- 5 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- 6 a. For the school budget year beginning July 1, 2010,
- 7 and each succeeding school year, school districts and area
- 8 education agencies shall combine payments made to teachers
- 9 under sections 257.10 and 257.37A with regular wages to
- 10 create a combined salary. The teacher contract issued under
- 11 section 279.13 must include the combined salary. If a school
- 12 district or area education agency uses a salary schedule, a
- 13 combined salary schedule shall be used for regular wages and
- 14 for distribution of payments under sections 257.10 and 257.37A,
- 15 incorporating the salary minimums required in section 284.7
- 16 or 284.15. The combined salary schedule must use only the
- 17 combined salary and cannot differentiate regular salaries and
- 18 distribution of payments under sections 257.10 and 257.37A.
- 19 Sec. 39. Section 284.5, subsection 2, Code 2013, is amended
- 20 by striking the subsection.
- 21 Sec. 40. Section 284.5, subsection 4, Code 2013, is amended
- 22 to read as follows:
- 23 4. Each school district and area education agency shall
- 24 develop an initial beginning teacher mentoring and induction
- 25 a plan for the program. A school district shall include its
- 26 plan in the school district's comprehensive school improvement
- 27 plan submitted pursuant to section 256.7, subsection 21. The
- 28 beginning teacher mentoring and induction plan shall, at a
- 29 minimum, provide for a two-year sequence of induction program
- 30 content and activities to support the Iowa teaching standards
- 31 and beginning teacher professional and personal needs; mentor
- 32 training that includes, at a minimum, skills of classroom
- 33 demonstration and coaching, and district expectations for
- 34 beginning teacher competence on Iowa teaching standards;
- 35 placement of mentors and beginning teachers; the process for

- 1 dissolving mentor and beginning teacher partnerships; district
- 2 organizational support for release time for mentors and
- 3 beginning teachers to plan, provide demonstration of classroom
- 4 practices, observe teaching, and provide feedback; structure
- 5 for mentor selection and assignment of mentors to beginning
- 6 teachers; a district facilitator; and program evaluation.
- 7 Sec. 41. Section 284.6, subsections 6 and 8, Code 2013, are
- 8 amended to read as follows:
- 9 6. School districts, a consortium of school districts,
- 10 area education agencies, higher education institutions,
- 11 and other public or private entities including professional
- 12 associations may be approved by the state board to provide
- 13 teacher professional development. The professional development
- 14 program or offering shall, at minimum, meet the requirements
- 15 of subsection 1. The state board shall adopt rules for the
- 16 approval of professional development providers and standards
- 17 for the district development plan.
- 18 8. For each year in which a school district receives funds
- 19 calculated and paid to school districts for professional
- 20 development pursuant to section 257.10, subsection 10, or
- 21 section 257.37A, subsection 2, the school district shall create
- 22 quality professional development opportunities. Not less than
- 23 thirty-six hours in the school calendar, held outside of the
- 24 minimum school day, shall be set aside during nonpreparation
- 25 time or designated professional development time to allow
- 26 practitioners to collaborate with each other to deliver
- 27 educational programs and assess student learning, or to engage
- 28 in peer review pursuant to section 284.8, subsection 1. The
- 29 goal for the use of the funds is to provide one additional
- 30 contract day or the equivalent thereof for professional
- 31 development, and Priority for use of the funds is shall be
- 32 to implement the professional development provisions of the
- 33 teacher career paths and leadership roles specified in section
- 34 284.7 or 284.15, including but not limited to providing
- 35 professional development to teachers, including additional

- 1 salaries for time beyond the normal negotiated agreement; pay
- 2 for substitute teachers, professional development materials,
- 3 speakers, and professional development content; and costs
- 4 associated with implementing the individual professional
- 5 development plans. The use of the funds shall be balanced
- 6 between school district, attendance center, and individual
- 7 professional development plans, making every reasonable effort
- 8 to provide equal access to all teachers.
- 9 Sec. 42. Section 284.7, Code 2013, is amended by adding the
- 10 following new subsection:
- 11 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. This section is repealed July 1, 2016.
- 12 Sec. 43. Section 284.8, subsection 1, Code 2013, is amended
- 13 to read as follows:
- 14 l. A school district shall provide for an annual review of
- 15 each teacher's performance for purposes of assisting teachers
- 16 in making continuous improvement, documenting continued
- 17 competence in the Iowa teaching standards, or identifying
- 18 teachers in need of improvement, or to determine whether the
- 19 teacher's practice meets school district expectations for
- 20 career advancement in accordance with section 284.7. The
- 21 review shall include, at minimum, classroom observation
- 22 of the teacher, a balanced use of student outcome measures
- 23 comprised of objective, reliable measures of student growth,
- 24 student surveys, the teacher's progress, and implementation
- 25 of the teacher's individual professional development plan,
- 26 subject to the level of resources provided to implement
- 27 the plan; and shall include supporting documentation from
- 28 parents, students, and other teachers. The first year of
- 29 review shall be a performance review and the second year and
- 30 third years of review shall be conducted by a peer group of
- 31 teachers focused on the professional development plan developed
- 32 pursuant to section 284.6. The peer group shall review
- 33 all of the peer group members. Peer group reviews shall be
- 34 formative and shall be conducted on an informal, collaborative
- 35 basis that is focused on assisting each peer group member in

- 1 achieving the goals of the teacher's individual professional
- 2 development plan. Peer group reviews shall not be the basis
- 3 for recommending that a teacher participate in an intensive
- 4 assistance program, and shall not be used to determine the
- 5 compensation, promotion, layoff, or termination of a teacher,
- 6 or any other determination affecting a teacher's employment
- 7 status. However, as a result of a peer group review, a teacher
- 8 may elect to participate in an intensive assistance program.
- 9 Members of the peer group shall be reviewed every third year
- 10 by at least one evaluator certified in accordance with section
- 11 284.10.
- 12 Sec. 44. Section 284.8, subsection 3, Code 2013, is amended
- 13 by striking the subsection.
- 14 Sec. 45. Section 284.9, subsection 4, Code 2013, is amended
- 15 to read as follows:
- 16 4. A teacher who does not receive a recommendation from a
- 17 review panel may appeal that denial to an administrative law
- 18 judge located in the department of inspections and appeals.
- 19 The state shall not be liable for a teacher's attorney fees,
- 20 costs, or damages that may result from an appeal of a review
- 21 panel's decision. The state board shall adopt rules to
- 22 administer this section.
- Sec. 46. Section 284.9, Code 2013, is amended by adding the
- 24 following new subsection:
- NEW SUBSECTION. 5. This section is repealed July 1, 2016.
- Sec. 47. NEW SECTION. 284.11 State supplemental assistance
- 27 for high-need schools.
- 28 1. Findings and intent. The general assembly finds that
- 29 students whose first language is not English, who have special
- 30 needs, or who come from low-income backgrounds face potential
- 31 obstacles to learning. Schools across Iowa, both urban and
- 32 rural, have increasing numbers of students who face these
- 33 challenges. Therefore, it is the intent of the general
- 34 assembly to provide supplemental assistance to the highest-need
- 35 schools in Iowa to address these challenges. This section

- 1 provides for state assistance to allow school districts to
- 2 develop extended learning time programs, hire instructional
- 3 support staff, provide additional professional development, or
- 4 supplement the salary of teachers in the identified schools.
- 5 2. Department's responsibilities. The department shall do
- 6 the following:
- 7 a. Collect relevant data and establish a list of high-need
- 8 schools eligible for state supplemental assistance. The
- 9 department shall establish a process and criteria to determine
- 10 which schools are placed on the list and the department shall
- ll revise the list annually. Criteria for the determination of
- 12 which high-need schools shall be placed on the list shall be
- 13 based upon factors that include but are not limited to the
- 14 socioeconomic status of the students enrolled in the school,
- 15 the percentage of the school's student body who are limited
- 16 English proficient students, student academic growth, certified
- 17 instructional staff attrition, and geographic balance. The
- 18 department may approve or disapprove requests for revision
- 19 of the list, which a school district submits pursuant to
- 20 subsection 3.
- 21 b. Develop a standardized process for distributing moneys
- 22 appropriated for supplemental assistance for teachers in
- 23 high-need schools under section 284.13, subsection 1, paragraph
- 24 "00e", to school districts. In determining the process
- 25 for distribution of such moneys, the department shall take
- 26 into consideration the amount of moneys appropriated for
- 27 supplemental assistance in high-need schools for the given
- 28 year and the minimal amount of moneys needed to increase the
- 29 academic achievement of students. A school district receiving
- 30 moneys pursuant to this section shall certify annually to the
- 31 department how the moneys distributed to the school district
- 32 pursuant to this section were used by the school district.
- c. Review the use and effectiveness of the funds distributed
- 34 to school districts for supplemental assistance in high-need
- 35 schools under this section, and consider the findings and

- 1 recommendations of the commission on educator leadership
- 2 and compensation submitted pursuant to section 284.15,
- 3 subsection 11, relating to the use and effectiveness of the
- 4 funds distributed to school districts under this section. The
- 5 department shall submit its findings and recommendations in a
- 6 report to the general assembly by January 15 annually.
- 3. School district request for approval. A school district
- 8 may request on an annual basis approval from the department
- 9 for additions to the list of high-need schools the department
- 10 maintains pursuant to subsection 2 based upon the unique local
- 11 conditions and needs of the school district. The criteria used
- 12 to determine the placement of high-need schools on the list in
- 13 accordance with subsection 2, does not restrict the department
- 14 from adding a high-need school to the list as requested by a
- 15 school district on the basis of unique local conditions and
- 16 needs pursuant to this subsection.
- 17 4. Moneys received and miscellaneous income. The
- 18 distribution of moneys allocated pursuant to section 284.13,
- 19 subsection 1, paragraph "00e", to a school district shall be
- 20 made in one payment on or about October 15 of the fiscal year
- 21 for which the appropriation is made, taking into consideration
- 22 the relative budget and cash position of the state resources.
- 23 Such moneys shall not be commingled with state aid payments
- 24 made under section 257.16 to a school district and shall be
- 25 accounted for by the local school district separately from
- 26 state aid payments. Payments made to school districts under
- 27 this section are miscellaneous income for purposes of chapter
- 28 257. A school district shall maintain a separate listing
- 29 within its budget for payments received and expenditures made
- 30 pursuant to this section.
- 31 5. Moneys received to supplement salaries. Moneys received
- 32 by a school district pursuant to section 284.13, subsection 1,
- 33 paragraph "00e", shall be used to supplement and not supplant
- 34 the salary being received by a teacher in a high-need school,
- 35 and shall not be considered under chapter 20 by an arbitrator

- 1 or other third party in determining a comparison of the wages
- 2 of teachers in that high-need school with the wages of teachers
- 3 in other buildings or in another school district.
- 4 Sec. 48. Section 284.13, subsection 1, Code 2013, is amended
- 5 by adding the following new paragraphs:
- 6 NEW PARAGRAPH. Oe. (1) For the following years, to the
- 7 department of education, for purposes of teacher leadership
- 8 supplemental aid payments to school districts for implementing
- 9 the career paths, leadership roles, and compensation framework
- 10 or comparable system approved in accordance with section
- 11 284.15, the following amounts:
- 12 (a) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending
- 13 June 30, 2014, five million dollars.
- 14 (b) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending
- 15 June 30, 2015, fifty million dollars.
- 16 (c) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending
- 17 June 30, 2016, fifty million dollars.
- 18 (d) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending
- 19 June 30, 2017, fifty million dollars.
- 20 (e) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, and for
- 21 each succeeding fiscal year, one million five hundred thousand
- 22 dollars.
- 23 (2) (a) For the initial school year for which a school
- 24 district receives department approval for and implements a
- 25 system in accordance with section 284.15, subsection 8, teacher
- 26 leadership supplement foundation aid payable to that school
- 27 district shall be paid from the allocation made in subparagraph
- 28 (1) for that school year. For that school year, the teacher
- 29 leadership supplement foundation aid payable to the school
- 30 district is the product of the teacher leadership district
- 31 cost per pupil for the school year multiplied by the school
- 32 district's budget enrollment.
- 33 (b) For budget years subsequent to the initial school year
- 34 for which a school district implemented a system and received
- 35 funding pursuant to subparagraph division (a), the teacher

- 1 leadership supplement foundation aid payable to that school
- 2 district shall be paid from the appropriation made in section
- 3 257.16.
- 4 (3) Of the moneys allocated to the department for the
- 5 purposes of this paragraph "Oe", not more than one million
- 6 dollars shall be used by the department for the development of
- 7 a delivery system implementing the career paths and leadership
- 8 roles specified in section 284.15 including but not limited
- 9 to planning grants to districts and area education agencies,
- 10 technical assistance for the department, technical assistance
- 11 for districts and area education agencies, training and staff
- 12 development, and the contracting of external expertise and
- 13 services. A portion of the moneys allocated annually to the
- 14 department for purposes of this subparagraph (3) may be used
- 15 by the department for administrative purposes and for not more
- 16 than five full-time equivalent positions.
- 17 (4) Of the moneys allocated to the department for the
- 18 purposes of this paragraph "Oe", not more than five hundred
- 19 thousand dollars annually shall be used by the department to
- 20 provide technical assistance to school districts and area
- 21 education agencies in the design and implementation of the
- 22 teacher career paths, leadership roles, and compensation
- 23 framework established pursuant to section 284.15, and
- 24 for not more than two full-time equivalent positions. In
- 25 allocating and expending moneys appropriated pursuant to this
- 26 subparagraph, the department shall give priority to school
- 27 districts with certified enrollments of fewer than six hundred
- 28 students.
- 29 (5) Of the moneys allocated to the department for purposes
- 30 of this paragraph "Oe", for each fiscal year of the fiscal
- 31 period beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2017, the
- 32 amount remaining after the allocations in subparagraphs (3)
- 33 and (4) shall be payable to the school districts that have
- 34 an approved career path, leadership roles, and compensation
- 35 framework or approved comparable system as provided in section

1 284.15.

8 school district.

- 2 (6) For each fiscal year of the fiscal period beginning 3 July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2017, moneys received by a 4 school district pursuant to this paragraph "Oe" shall not be 5 considered under chapter 20 by an arbitrator or other third 6 party in determining a comparison of the wages of teachers in 7 that school district with the wages of teachers in another
- (7) The receipt of funding by a school district for the 10 purposes of this paragraph "Oe", and the need for additional 11 funding for the purposes of this paragraph "0e", or the 12 enrollment count of eligible students under this chapter, 13 shall not be considered to be unusual circumstances, create an 14 unusual need for additional funds, or qualify under any other 15 circumstances that may be used by the school budget review 16 committee to grant supplemental aid to or establish modified 17 allowable growth for a school district under section 257.31. 18 NEW PARAGRAPH. 00e. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 19 2014, and for each subsequent fiscal year, to the department 20 of education, ten million dollars for purposes of implementing 21 the supplemental assistance for high-need schools provisions 22 of section 284.11. Annually, of the moneys allocated to 23 the department for purposes of this paragraph, up to one 24 hundred thousand dollars may be used by the department for
- 26 equivalent position.
 27 Sec. 49. Section 284.13, subsection 1, paragraph e, Code
 28 2013, is amended to read as follows:

25 administrative purposes and for not more than one full-time

- e. Notwithstanding section 8.33, any moneys remaining
 unencumbered or unobligated from the moneys allocated for
 purposes of paragraph paragraphs "a", "b", or "c" through "00e"
 shall not revert but shall remain available in the succeeding
 fiscal year for expenditure for the purposes designated.
- 34 The provisions of section 8.39 shall not apply to the funds 35 appropriated pursuant to this subsection.

- 1 Sec. 50. Section 284.13, Code 2013, is amended by adding the
- 2 following new subsection:
- NEW SUBSECTION. 3. The state board may adopt rules which
- 4 assure the allocation of resources under this section in a
- 5 manner that optimizes the fulfillment of the purposes specified
- 6 in sections 284.11 and 284.15.
- 7 Sec. 51. NEW SECTION. 284.15 Iowa teacher career paths,
- 8 leadership roles, and compensation framework.
- 9 1. To promote continuous improvement in Iowa's quality
- 10 teaching workforce and to give Iowa teachers the opportunity
- 11 for career recognition that reflects the various roles teachers
- 12 play as educational leaders, a framework for Iowa teacher
- 13 career paths, leadership roles, and compensation is established
- 14 for teachers employed by school districts. A teacher employed
- 15 by an area education agency may be included in a framework
- 16 established by a school district if the area education agency
- 17 and the school district enter into a contract for such purpose.
- 18 The framework is designed to accomplish the following goals:
- 19 a. To attract able and promising new teachers by offering
- 20 competitive starting salaries and offering short-term
- 21 and long-term professional development and leadership
- 22 opportunities.
- 23 b. To retain effective teachers by providing enhanced career
- 24 opportunities.
- c. To promote collaboration by developing and supporting
- 26 opportunities for teachers in schools and school districts
- 27 statewide to learn from each other.
- 28 d. To reward professional growth and effective teaching
- 29 by providing pathways for career opportunities that come with
- 30 increased leadership responsibilities and involve increased
- 31 compensation.
- 32 e. To improve student achievement by strengthening
- 33 instruction.
- 34 2. The Iowa teacher career paths, leadership roles, and
- 35 compensation requirements under the framework shall be as

- 1 follows:
- 2 a. Initial teacher.
- 3 (1) The salary for an initial teacher who has successfully
- 4 completed an approved practitioner preparation program as
- 5 defined in section 272.1 or holds an initial or intern teacher
- 6 license issued under chapter 272, and who participates in the
- 7 initial teacher mentoring and induction program as provided in
- 8 this chapter, shall be at least thirty-two thousand dollars,
- 9 which shall also constitute the minimum salary for an Iowa
- 10 teacher.
- 11 (2) An initial teacher shall complete a teacher residency
- 12 during the first year of employment that has all of the
- 13 following characteristics:
- 14 (a) Intensive supervision or mentoring by a mentor teacher
- 15 or lead teacher.
- 16 (b) Sufficient collaboration time for the initial teacher
- 17 in the residency year to be able to observe and learn from
- 18 model teachers, mentor teachers, and lead teachers employed by
- 19 school districts located in this state.
- 20 (c) A teaching contract issued under section 279.13 that
- 21 establishes an employment period which is five days longer
- 22 than that required for career teachers employed by the school
- 23 district of employment. The five additional contract days
- 24 shall be used to strengthen instructional leadership in
- 25 accordance with this subsection.
- 26 (d) Frequent observation, evaluation, and professional
- 27 development opportunities.
- 28 b. Career teacher. A career teacher is a teacher who holds
- 29 a statement of professional recognition issued under chapter
- 30 272 or who meets all of the following requirements:
- 31 (1) Has successfully completed the initial teacher
- 32 mentoring and induction program and has successfully completed
- 33 a comprehensive evaluation.
- 34 (2) Has demonstrated the competencies of a career teacher as
- 35 determined under the school district's comprehensive evaluation

1 of the initial teacher.

- 2 (3) Holds a valid license issued under chapter 272.
- 3 (4) Participates in teacher professional development as set
- 4 forth in this chapter and demonstrates continuous improvement
- 5 in teaching.
- 6 c. Model teacher. A model teacher is a teacher who meets
- 7 the requirements of paragraph b'', has met the requirements
- 8 established by the school district that employs the teacher,
- 9 is evaluated by the school district as demonstrating the
- 10 competencies of a model teacher, has participated in a rigorous
- 11 review process, and has been recommended for a one-year
- 12 assignment as a model teacher by a site-based review council
- 13 appointed pursuant to subsection 3. A school district shall
- 14 designate at least ten percent of its teachers as model
- 15 teachers, though the district may enter into an agreement with
- 16 one or more other districts or an area education agency to meet
- 17 this requirement through a collaborative arrangement. The
- 18 terms of the teaching contracts issued under section 279.13 to
- 19 model teachers shall exceed by five days the terms of teaching
- 20 contracts issued under section 279.13 to career teachers, and
- 21 the five additional contract days shall be used to strengthen
- 22 instructional leadership in accordance with this subsection. A
- 23 model teacher shall receive annually a salary supplement of at
- 24 least two thousand dollars.
- 25 d. Mentor teacher. A mentor teacher is a teacher who
- 26 is evaluated by the school district as demonstrating the
- 27 competencies and superior teaching skills of a mentor teacher,
- 28 and has been recommended for a one-year assignment as a mentor
- 29 teacher by a site-based review council appointed pursuant
- 30 to subsection 4. In addition, a mentor teacher shall hold
- 31 a valid license issued under chapter 272, participate in
- 32 teacher professional development as outlined in this chapter,
- 33 demonstrate continuous improvement in teaching, and possess
- 34 the skills and qualifications to assume leadership roles. A
- 35 mentor teacher shall have a teaching load of not more than

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1 seventy-five percent student instruction to allow the teacher
 2 to mentor other teachers. A school district shall designate
 3 at least ten percent of its teachers as mentor teachers,
 4 though the district may enter into an agreement with one or
 5 more other districts or an area education agency to meet this
 6 requirement through a collaborative arrangement.
 7 of the teaching contracts issued under section 279.13 to
 8 mentor teachers shall exceed by ten days the terms of teaching
 9 contracts issued under section 279.13 to career teachers, and
10 the ten additional contract days shall be used to strengthen
ll instructional leadership in accordance with this subsection. A
12 mentor teacher shall receive annually a salary supplement of
13 at least five thousand dollars.
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      e. Lead teacher. A lead teacher is a teacher who holds a
15 valid license issued under chapter 272 and has been recommended
16 for a one-year assignment as a lead teacher by a site-based
17 review council appointed pursuant to subsection 4.
18 recommendation from the council must assert that the teacher
19 possesses superior teaching skills and the ability to lead
20 adult learners. A lead teacher shall assume leadership
21 roles that may include but are not limited to the planning
22 and delivery of professional development activities designed
23 to improve instructional strategies; the facilitation of
24 an instructional leadership team within the lead teacher's
25 building, school district, or other school districts;
26 the mentoring of other teachers; and participation in the
27 evaluation of student teachers. A lead teacher shall have
28 a teaching load of not more than fifty percent student
29 instruction to allow the lead teacher to spend time on
30 co-teaching; co-planning; peer reviews; observing career
31 teachers, model teachers, and mentor teachers; and other
32 duties mutually agreed upon by the superintendent and the lead
33 teacher. A school district shall designate at least five
34 percent of its teachers as lead teachers, though the district
35 may enter into an agreement with one or more other districts
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- 1 or an area education agency to meet this requirement through a
- 2 collaborative arrangement. The terms of the teaching contracts
- 3 issued under section 279.13 to lead teachers shall exceed by
- 4 fifteen days the terms of teaching contracts issued under
- 5 section 279.13 to career teachers, and the fifteen additional
- 6 contract days shall be used to strengthen instructional
- 7 leadership in accordance with this subsection. A lead teacher
- 8 shall receive annually a salary supplement of at least ten
- 9 thousand dollars.
- 10 3. The salary supplement received by model, mentor, and lead
- 11 teachers shall fully cover the salary costs of the additional
- 12 contract days required of teachers in those leadership roles.
- 13 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the
- 14 determinations of salary supplements paid pursuant to this
- 15 section are not subject to appeal.
- 16 4. The school board shall appoint a site-based review
- 17 council for the district's attendance centers. Attendance
- 18 centers may share a site-based review council if the
- 19 appointments meet the requirements specified in paragraph "a".
- 20 a. Each council shall be comprised of equal numbers of
- 21 teachers, administrators, and parents or quardians of students
- 22 enrolled in the attendance center.
- 23 b. The council shall accept and review applications
- 24 submitted to the school's or the school district's
- 25 administration for assignment or reassignment as a model,
- 26 mentor, or lead teacher, and shall make recommendations
- 27 regarding the applications to the superintendent of the school
- 28 district. In developing recommendations, the council shall
- 29 utilize measures of teacher effectiveness and professional
- 30 growth, consider the needs of the school district, and review
- 31 the performance and professional development of the applicants.
- 32 Any teacher recommended for assignment or reassignment as a
- 33 model, mentor, or lead teacher shall have demonstrated to
- 34 the council's satisfaction competency on the Iowa teaching
- 35 standards as set forth in section 284.3.

- 1 c. An assignment as a model teacher, mentor teacher, or
- 2 lead teacher pursuant to this section shall be subject to
- 3 review by the school's or the school district's administration
- 4 at least annually. The review shall include peer feedback
- 5 on the effectiveness of the teacher's performance of duty
- 6 specific to the teacher's career path. A teacher who completes
- 7 the time period of assignment as a model, mentor, or lead
- 8 teacher may apply to the school's or the school district's
- 9 administration for assignment in a new role if appropriate or
- 10 for reassignment.
- 11 5. A teacher employed in a school district shall not receive
- 12 less compensation in that district than the teacher received
- 13 in the school year preceding participation, as set forth in
- 14 section 284.4, due to implementation of this Act. A teacher
- 15 who achieves national board for professional teaching standards
- 16 certification and meets the requirements of section 256.44
- 17 shall continue to receive the award as specified in section
- 18 256.44 in addition to the compensation set forth in this
- 19 section.
- 20 6. a. A school district may apply to the department for
- 21 approval to implement the career paths, leadership roles,
- 22 and compensation framework specified in subsection 2, or a
- 23 comparable system of career paths and compensation for teachers
- 24 that contains differentiated multiple leadership roles.
- 25 b. By March 1 of the school year preceding implementation,
- 26 a school district that has been approved to implement the
- 27 framework or a comparable system pursuant to this subsection
- 28 may opt out of implementation of the framework or comparable
- 29 system by notifying the department of its intent to withdraw
- 30 from implementation. The department shall notify the
- 31 department of management that the school district is no longer
- 32 approved to implement the framework or comparable system and
- 33 is not eligible to receive teacher leadership supplement
- 34 foundation aid under chapter 257 or this chapter.
- 35 7. The department shall establish criteria and a process

- 1 for application and approval of the framework established
- 2 under subsection 1, and for comparable systems, which a school
- 3 district may implement pursuant to subsection 6 in order to
- 4 receive teacher leadership supplement foundation aid calculated
- 5 under section 257.10, subsection 12.
- 8. A school district is encouraged to utilize appropriately
- 7 licensed teachers emeritus in the implementation of this
- 8 section.
- 9 9. The framework or comparable system approved and
- 10 implemented by a school district in accordance with this
- 11 section shall be applicable to teachers in every attendance
- 12 center operated by the school district.
- 13 10. Subject to an appropriation by the general assembly for
- 14 purposes of this subsection, a school district may apply to the
- 15 department for a planning grant to design an implementation
- 16 strategy for the framework established pursuant to subsection
- 17 l or a comparable system of career paths and compensation for
- 18 teachers that contains differentiated multiple leadership
- 19 roles. The planning grant shall be used to facilitate a
- 20 local decision-making process that includes representation
- 21 of administrators, teachers, and parents and guardians of
- 22 students. The department shall establish and make available an
- 23 application for the awarding of planning grants for purposes
- 24 of this subsection.
- 25 ll. The department shall establish, and provide staffing
- 26 and administrative support for a commission on educator
- 27 leadership and compensation. The commission shall monitor
- 28 with fidelity the implementation of the framework established
- 29 by school districts pursuant to subsection 1. The commission
- 30 shall also evaluate and make recommendations to the department
- 31 on applications for approval of a comparable system submitted
- 32 to the department pursuant to subsection 6, and on the
- 33 expenditure of moneys appropriated for purposes of this
- 34 section. In addition, the commission shall review the use and
- 35 effectiveness of the funds distributed to school districts for

- 1 supplemental assistance to teachers in high-need schools under 2 section 284.11.
- 3 a. The commission shall be comprised of teachers, parents
- 4 and quardians of children enrolled in Iowa's school districts,
- 5 school administrators, school board members, postsecondary
- 6 faculty, designees representing education-related professional
- 7 organizations, and business and community leaders.
- 8 b. Members shall be appointed by the governor, subject to
- 9 confirmation by the senate, to staggered three-year terms which
- 10 begin and end as provided in section 69.19. Appointments shall
- 11 comply with sections 69.16, 69.16A, and 69.16C. Vacancies
- 12 on the commission shall be filled in the same manner as the
- 13 original appointment. A person appointed to fill a vacancy
- 14 shall serve only for the unexpired portion of the term.
- 15 Members are entitled to reimbursement of actual expenses
- 16 incurred in performance of their official duties.
- 17 c. By December 15 annually, the commission shall submit its
- 18 findings and any recommendations, including but not limited to
- 19 any recommendations for changes to the framework established
- 20 in subsection 1 and for changes to section 284.11 relating to
- 21 state supplemental assistance to high-need schools, in a report
- 22 to the director, the state board, the governor, and the general
- 23 assembly.
- 24 12. a. Teacher leadership supplement foundation aid
- 25 calculated under section 257.10, subsection 12, shall be paid
- 26 as part of the state aid payments made to school districts in
- 27 accordance with section 257.16.
- 28 b. Notwithstanding section 284.3A, teacher leadership
- 29 supplement foundation aid shall not be combined with regular
- 30 wages to create a combined salary.
- 31 c. The teacher leadership supplement district cost as
- 32 calculated under section 257.10, subsection 12, is not subject
- 33 to a uniform reduction in accordance with section 8.31.
- 34 13. The provisions of this chapter shall be subject to
- 35 legislative review at least every three years. The review

1 shall be based upon a status report from the commission 2 on educator leadership and compensation, which shall be 3 prepared with the assistance of the departments of education, 4 management, and revenue. The status report shall review and 5 report on the department's assignment and utilization of 6 full-time equivalent positions, and shall include information 7 on teacher retention, teacher compensation, academic quality 8 of beginning teachers, teacher evaluation results, student 9 achievement trend and comparative data, and recommendations 10 for changes to the teacher leadership supplement foundation 11 aid and the framework or comparable systems approved pursuant 12 to this section. The first status report shall be submitted 13 to the general assembly by January 15, 2017, with subsequent 14 status reports prepared and submitted to the general assembly 15 by January 15 at least every third year thereafter. 16 Sec. 52. ATTENDANCE CENTER PERFORMANCE RANKINGS -17 PERFORMANCE INDEX. 18 The department of education shall develop criteria and 19 a process for school districts to use to establish specific 20 performance goals and to evaluate the performance of each 21 attendance center operated by the district in order to arrive 22 at an overall performance index for each attendance center. 23 The criteria shall include but not be limited to student 24 academic growth, parent involvement, student attendance, 25 employee turnover, and community activities and involvement. 26 The department shall develop an achievement score that 27 calculates aggregate growth as well as aggregate proficiency 28 of students which when combined with other academic indicators 29 results in an overall school performance index for each 30 attendance center in the school district. The performance 31 index shall be used as one measure to rank and classify schools 32 into six different performance categories: exceptional, 33 high performing, commendable, acceptable, needs improvement, 34 and priority. The categories may be used to define support 35 and specialized assistance to schools classified as needs

- 1 improvement or priority as well as to recognize schools
- 2 designated exceptional or high performing. Additionally,
- 3 a closing gap score shall be calculated as another measure
- 4 to determine subgroup performance and to rank and classify
- 5 attendance centers. Other academic indicators shall be defined
- 6 as criterion referenced variables that will be utilized in
- 7 the calculation of the performance index. Other academic
- 8 indicators shall include but not be limited to graduation
- 9 rates, attendance rates, and college-readiness rates.
- 10 Additional indicators of academic success and progress may
- 11 include post-graduation data, suspension and expulsion rates,
- 12 levels of student engagement, parent satisfaction, parent
- 13 engagement, and staff working conditions.
- 14 3. The department shall submit its findings and
- 15 recommendations in a report to the state board of education,
- 16 the governor, and the general assembly by November 15, 2013.
- 17 Sec. 53. PILOT PROGRAM FOR EXTENDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES
- 18 FOR STUDENTS IN NEED DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. The
- 19 department of education shall develop a pilot program plan
- 20 in collaboration with three school districts, utilizing
- 21 evidence-based best practices, to provide students in need with
- 22 extended learning opportunities. The department shall present
- 23 the plan and any findings and recommendations in a report to
- 24 the state board of education, the governor, and the general
- 25 assembly by December 16, 2013.
- 26 Sec. 54. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE. The Code editor shall
- 27 delete references in the Code, and Code language directly
- 28 related to the references, to sections and subsections of the
- 29 Code repealed by this division of this Act effective July 1,
- 30 2016.
- 31 Sec. 55. EFFECTIVE DATE. The following provision or
- 32 provisions of this division of this Act take effect July 1,
- 33 2014:
- 1. The section of this division of this Act amending section
- 35 282.18.

1	DIVISION VI
2	COMPETENCY-BASED INSTRUCTION TASK FORCE
3	Sec. 56. 2012 Iowa Acts, chapter 1119, section 2, subsection
4	2, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:
5	NEW PARAGRAPH. f. Develop a draft strategic plan
6	and proposed timeline for statewide implementation of
7	competency-based learning for consideration by the general
8	assembly.
9	Sec. 57. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This division of this
10	Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon
11	enactment.
12	DIVISION VII
13	EXTENDED LEARNING TIME PILOT PROJECT MODEL — APPROPRIATION
14	Sec. 58. EXTENDED LEARNING TIME PILOT PROJECT MODEL.
15	1. The department of education shall develop a proposed
16	model for an extended learning time pilot project. In
17	developing the model, the department shall consider the
18	recommendations submitted in the final report of the
19	instructional time task force, as well as existing, successful
20	extended time learning opportunities offered within and
21	outside of the state. Three program proposals representing
22	school districts of varied sizes, geographical locations,
23	and socio-economic status shall be included in the model.
24	Component measures, criteria, and associated benchmarks for
25	selecting participants and gauging success for the model shall
26	include but not be limited to the following considerations:
27	impact on student achievement; overall cost; governance
28	structure; transportation issues; recommended age of students;
29	potential use of teacher preparation candidates; 21st
30	century learning center guidelines as applicable; potential
31	collaboration with area education agencies and other public
32	and private partners for cost effectiveness, efficiency,
33	and community involvement; recommended staffing levels;
34	licensure for staff; involvement of nonprofit organizations;
35	collaboration with the staff in the existing school district;

- 1 whether all of some students in a district should participate;
- 2 and use of best practices and latest research in the field.
- 3 The department shall also recommend potential funding sources
- 4 for the full implementation of the proposed model for extended
- 5 learning time pilot projects and of future sustained extended
- 6 time learning efforts.
- 7 2. The department shall submit the proposed model and
- 8 the department's findings and recommendations in a report to
- 9 the state board of education, the governor, and the general
- 10 assembly by December 16, 2013.
- 11 Sec. 59. EXTENDED LEARNING TIME PILOT PROJECT MODEL —
- 12 APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated from the general fund of
- 13 the state to the department of education for the fiscal year
- 14 beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, the following
- 15 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
- 16 purposes designated:
- 17 For purposes of developing an extended learning time pilot
- 18 project model in accordance with this division of this Act, if
- 19 enacted:
- 20 \$ 40,000
- 21 EXPLANATION
- 22 This bill relates to programs and activities under the
- 23 purview of the department of education, the state board
- 24 of education, the college student aid commission, school
- 25 districts, and accredited nonpublic schools. The bill makes
- 26 appropriations and provides for establishment and retention
- 27 of certain fees and includes transition and effective date
- 28 provisions.
- 29 DIVISION I IOWA LEARNING ONLINE INITIATIVE FEES
- 30 AND APPROPRIATIONS. The bill directs the department of
- 31 education to establish fees payable by school districts and
- 32 accredited nonpublic schools participating in the Iowa learning
- 33 online initiative established by Code section 256.42. The
- 34 bill provides that fees collected pursuant to the bill are
- 35 appropriated to the department to be used only for the purpose

- 1 of administering the initiative and cannot exceed the budgeted
- 2 cost of administering the initiative to the extent not covered
- 3 by other moneys appropriated in the bill. The bill specifies
- 4 that providing professional development necessary to prepare
- 5 teachers to participate in the initiative is to be considered
- 6 such a cost. The bill provides that unused fees do not revert
- 7 but remain available in subsequent fiscal years to expand
- 8 coursework offered under the initiative.
- 9 The bill appropriates \$1,500,000 per year from the state
- 10 general fund for fiscal years 2013-2014, 2014-2015, and
- 11 2015-2016, to the department to be used for administering the
- 12 Iowa learning online initiative and for not more than three
- 13 full-time equivalent positions.
- 14 DIVISION II TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT OF TEACHERS. The bill
- 15 directs the department of education to develop and implement
- 16 a teach Iowa marketing and public outreach initiative by
- 17 January 1, 2014, and appropriates \$3 million from the general
- 18 fund of the state to the department for each of FY 2013-2014
- 19 and FY 2014-2015 for teach Iowa marketing, a public outreach
- 20 initiative, and a student teacher pilot project.
- 21 The bill provides five goals for the initiative: to motivate
- 22 high performing students to enter teacher preparation programs
- 23 and to enter the teaching profession in Iowa; to motivate
- 24 teacher candidates, especially those in science, technology,
- 25 engineering, and mathematics fields, to enter teacher
- 26 preparation programs and to enter the teaching profession in
- 27 Iowa; to recruit high-caliber teacher candidates to pursue
- 28 teaching careers in Iowa; to encourage teacher candidates to
- 29 pursue teaching careers in rural Iowa; and to inform the public
- 30 of the value of the teaching profession and of the importance
- 31 of Iowa's education system to the future of Iowa.
- 32 The bill directs the department of education to establish an
- 33 online state job posting system. The system must be accessible
- 34 via the department's internet site, although the department
- 35 may contract for or partner with another entity for use of

- 1 an existing internet site, and must include a mechanism for
- 2 the electronic submission of job openings for posting on the
- 3 system.
- 4 The bill requires school districts, charter schools, and
- 5 area education agencies to submit all of their job openings to
- 6 the department of education for posting on the system. The
- 7 bill requires the department to post all of its job openings
- 8 on the system. The bill provides that accredited nonpublic
- 9 schools may, but are not required to, submit job openings to
- 10 the department for posting on the system.
- 11 The establishment of the online state job posting system is
- 12 not to be construed to prohibit any employer from advertising
- 13 job openings and recruiting employees independently of the
- 14 system, to prohibit any employer from using another method of
- 15 advertising job openings or another applicant tracking system
- 16 in addition to the system, or to provide the department of
- 17 education with any regulatory authority in the hiring process
- 18 or hiring decisions of any employer other than the department
- 19 itself.
- 20 The bill establishes a teach Iowa scholar program within the
- 21 college student aid commission to provide teach Iowa scholar
- 22 grants to selected high-caliber teachers. The commission is
- 23 required to administer the program in collaboration with the
- 24 department.
- 25 The bill directs the commission to establish eligibility
- 26 criteria for teach Iowa scholar grants that at a minimum
- 27 requires that an applicant must have been in the top 25 percent
- 28 academically of students exiting a state-approved teacher
- 29 preparation program, or have earned other comparable academic
- 30 credentials; and be preparing to teach in fields including but
- 31 not limited to science, technology, engineering, mathematics,
- 32 or a hard-to-staff subject as identified annually by the
- 33 department.
- 34 A selected applicant who has successfully completed an
- 35 approved practitioner preparation program is eligible for a

- 1 teach Iowa scholar grant for each year of full-time employment
- 2 completed in Iowa as a teacher for a school district, charter
- 3 school, area education agency, or accredited nonpublic school.
- 4 The bill provides that a teach Iowa scholar grant cannot exceed
- 5 \$4,000 per year per recipient, and cannot exceed \$20,000 total
- 6 per recipient over a five-year period.
- 7 The bill directs the commission, in collaboration with
- 8 the department, to adopt rules for the teach Iowa scholar
- 9 program. The rules are to include a process for the commission
- 10 to determine which eligible applicants will receive teach Iowa
- 11 scholar grants.
- 12 The bill establishes a teach Iowa scholar fund in the state
- 13 treasury to be administered by the commission and to consist
- 14 of moneys appropriated by the general assembly and any other
- 15 moneys received by the commission for deposit in the fund. The
- 16 bill appropriates moneys in the fund to the commission for the
- 17 program.
- 18 The bill directs the department of education to establish
- 19 a teach Iowa student teaching pilot project subject to an
- 20 appropriation of sufficient funds by the general assembly.
- 21 The department is required to establish the pilot project in
- 22 collaboration with two institutions of higher education which
- 23 offer state-approved teacher preparation programs. The two
- 24 institutions must include one regents institution and one
- 25 accredited private institution.
- 26 The pilot project will provide students in teacher
- 27 preparation programs with a one-year student teaching
- 28 experience. A participating institution of higher education
- 29 must work with school districts to place groups of students
- 30 in a student teaching experience for an entire academic
- 31 year, taking geographic diversity into consideration in the
- 32 selection of school districts. A participating institution
- 33 of higher education must also supervise the student teachers
- 34 in the classroom and provide the students with weekly on-site
- 35 instruction in pedagogy.

1 The bill repeals the teacher shortage loan forgiveness 2 program as of July 1, 2014. Unobligated and unencumbered 3 moneys in the teacher shortage loan forgiveness repayment 4 fund revert to the state general fund on July 1, 2014. Any 5 remaining obligations of the teacher shortage loan forgiveness 6 program continuing on or after July 1, 2014, will be met with 7 moneys in the teach Iowa scholar fund established by the bill. 8 DIVISION III - ASSESSMENTS - IOWA CERTIFICATE OF 9 DISTINCTION PROGRAM. The bill relates to student achievement, 10 including the administration of assessments to measure student 11 achievement and the establishment and implementation of 12 the Iowa certificate of distinction program for qualifying 13 graduating high school students. The bill appropriates 14 \$200,000 from the general fund of the state to the department 15 of education for FY 2013-2014 to pay for the costs of 16 developing and implementing the Iowa certificate of distinction 17 program. 18 Under current law, the state board of education is required 19 to specify by rule that the district-wide assessment of student 20 progress that school districts must administer shall be the 21 assessment utilized by school districts statewide in the school 22 year beginning July 1, 2011. The bill amends the provision 23 that the requirement may be met using a successor assessment 24 administered by the same assessment provider, but also adds 25 that, beginning July 1, 2014, subject to an appropriation by 26 the general assembly, all students enrolled in grades 3-8 and 27 ll in a school district must, in the spring, be administered an 28 assessment that is aligned to the Iowa common core standards, 29 accurately describes student achievement and growth, and 30 provides valid, reliable, and fair measures of student progress 31 toward college or career readiness. The bill establishes an Iowa certificate of distinction 33 program within the department of education. The program 34 must be designed by the director of the department to define

35 college- and career-ready performance expectations that are

- 1 aligned to national and international college- and career-ready
- 2 standards; compel stronger alignment of curriculum,
- 3 instruction, and assessment with the knowledge, skills, and
- 4 abilities most predictive of student success in secondary and
- 5 postsecondary education programs, and in careers; identify high
- 6 school graduates who demonstrate specific competencies aligned
- 7 with college and career readiness; validate that students
- 8 have met specific expectations and demonstrated essential
- 9 competencies or skills identified by the department as
- 10 important across a range of education and career opportunities;
- 11 recognize students by awarding a certificate associated
- 12 with specific subjects or areas of accomplishment; encourage
- 13 participating Iowa colleges and universities to consider the
- 14 certificate when assessing whether an applicant meets the
- 15 institution's admission requirements; encourage business and
- 16 industry to realize the program's benefits; and to integrate
- 17 the program with related initiatives offered by other state
- 18 agencies.
- 19 The bill also creates within the department an Iowa
- 20 certificate of distinction program council to regularly advise
- 21 and make recommendations to the director of the department and
- 22 the state board on the operation of the program. The governor
- 23 is charged with appointing the council's members.
- 24 The council shall submit its findings and recommendations
- 25 periodically and at least annually in a report to the governor,
- 26 the director, and the state board. The council is responsible
- 27 for recommending specific academic or skill areas for which a
- 28 certificate may be awarded; standards that reflect the high
- 29 quality of work a student must complete; specific requirements
- 30 and criteria for awarding a certificate; adjustments to types
- 31 or categories of certificates available for award; a tiered
- 32 implementation schedule that begins July 1, 2014, and results
- 33 in full implementation of the program by July 1, 2017; and
- 34 strategies to encourage Iowa colleges and universities to
- 35 consider the certificate during the admissions process and

- 1 to encourage participating Iowa businesses and industries to
- 2 establish hiring preferences to an applicant who was awarded
- 3 a certificate.
- 4 The council shall be comprised of at least 20 voting
- 5 members representing the secondary education community; the
- 6 postsecondary education community; small, medium, or large
- 7 business employers; local government; state government; and
- 8 economic development entities. Members shall be appointed
- 9 to reflect a balance between educators and noneducators. In
- 10 selecting individuals for appointment to the council, the
- 11 governor must seek nominations from a number of business,
- 12 industry, and educational associations, alliances, and
- 13 councils; postsecondary institutions; and certain state
- 14 agencies.
- 15 Four members of the general assembly shall serve as ex
- 16 officio, nonvoting members of the council, and are eligible for
- 17 per diem and expenses.
- 18 The state board shall adopt, and may amend, standards,
- 19 requirements, and criteria for awarding a certificate, which
- 20 shall be made available to school districts and participating
- 21 accredited nonpublic schools not later than July 1, 2014; and
- 22 shall, by that date, adopt rules for the administration of the
- 23 program, including rules establishing the minimum components
- 24 of the program that are part of the educational standards for
- 25 grades 9 through 12, and requiring school districts to note
- 26 achievement of a certificate on a qualifying student's high
- 27 school transcript.
- 28 Accredited nonpublic schools may participate in the program
- 29 and offer students the opportunity to participate.
- 30 DIVISION IV TEACHER AND ADMINISTRATOR DEVELOPMENT
- 31 SYSTEM. The bill provides for additions to the Iowa teaching
- 32 standards, subject to any change in statute by the general
- 33 assembly, and modification of the Iowa standards for school
- 34 administrators, for the establishment of statewide systems
- 35 of evaluation for teachers and administrators and for

1 performance review requirements for teachers, and establishes 2 a council on educator development charged with reviewing 3 the current teacher and administrator evaluation systems 4 and current performance review requirements, and to make 5 recommendations to the director regarding improvement to the 6 evaluation and performance review requirements for teachers and 7 administrators, as appropriate. The bill appropriates \$500,000 8 from the general fund of the state to the department of 9 education for FY 2013-2014, and \$3.5 million for FY 2014-2015 10 for developing and implementing an Iowa educator development 11 system and for the council. 12 EVALUATION AND PERFORMANCE REVIEW. The bill directs 13 the state board of education to adopt rules establishing 14 a statewide system of evaluation and performance review 15 requirements for teachers and a statewide system of evaluation 16 requirements for administrators. The statewide systems of 17 evaluation and performance for teachers and the statewide 18 system of evaluation for administrators shall align with 19 Iowa teaching standards or the Iowa standards for school 20 administrators, as appropriate, and shall use clear and concise 21 evaluation and performance review criteria and descriptors; 22 provide for a fair and balanced use of student outcome 23 measures; include a tiered evaluation or performance review 24 system that differentiates at least three levels of teacher 25 performance; and be applicable to all teachers and school 26 administrators, as appropriate, in a charter school, school 27 district, or area education agency (AEA). 28 DIRECTOR'S DUTIES. Current law directs the director of the 29 department of education to develop Iowa standards for school 30 administrators, which the bill amends to charge the director 31 with also reviewing and revising the standards as necessary. The bill also charges the director with developing, for 33 implementation by July 1, 2015, additional Iowa teaching

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34 standards and Iowa standards for school administrators designed 35 specifically for purposes of Code chapters 279, 284, and 284A.

1 The standards must be based on significant input from the 2 council on educator development and Iowa educators must align 3 with nationally accepted teaching and administrator standards. The director is also charged with reviewing and, where 5 necessary, revising the standards and requirements for the 6 evaluator training program that is established in Code section 7 284.10; developing and implementing a coaching and support 8 system for teachers aligned with the Iowa teacher career 9 paths, leadership roles, and compensation framework proposed 10 by the department; and with developing and implementing a 11 coaching and support system for administrators aligned with the 12 beginning administrator mentoring and induction program that is 13 established in Code section 284A.5. 14 SCHOOL BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES. School boards are directed 15 to establish written evaluation criteria and to implement 16 annually evaluation procedures that are consistent with the 17 statewide system of evaluation for teachers and administrators 18 and with the performance review requirements for teachers 19 established by the state board, and with the requirements 20 established under the student achievement and teacher quality 21 program or the administrator quality program, as appropriate. 22 The bill provides for the repeal, effective July 1, 2015, 23 of language in Code section 284A.3 that requires school boards 24 to provide for evaluations for administrators under individual 25 professional development plans and which authorizes school 26 boards to establish additional administrator standards and 27 related criteria. COUNCIL ON EDUCATOR DEVELOPMENT. The director is required 28 29 to convene a council on educator development. The council must 30 make recommendations to the director concerning development 31 of a holistic vision of teacher and administrator development 32 and dissemination of this vision to schools, school districts, 33 and AEAs; methods designed to foster a culture of continuous 34 learning and improvement within schools, school districts, and 35 AEAs with differentiated supports for educators; Iowa teaching

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- 1 standards and the Iowa standards for school administrators;
- 2 performance review criteria for teachers and evaluation
- 3 criteria for teachers and administrators; a method for
- 4 establishing a fair and balanced use of student outcome
- 5 measures; and a means to differentiate levels of teacher
- 6 performance.
- 7 The council shall be comprised of at least 17 voting
- 8 members appointed by the director: Eight members representing
- 9 education stakeholders, four of whom shall be practitioners
- 10 knowledgeable about the Iowa core curriculum, and four of
- 11 whom shall be knowledgeable about current education research
- 12 and practice in educator quality; one member representing the
- 13 department of education and who will serve as chairperson of
- 14 the council; one member representing the AEAs; one member
- 15 representing a certified employee organization representing
- 16 teachers; one member representing a statewide organization
- 17 representing school administrators; one member representing
- 18 rural school districts selected by a statewide organization
- 19 representing school boards; one member representing an
- 20 organization made up of Iowa school districts with the largest
- 21 student enrollments; one member representing Iowa's approved
- 22 teacher preparation programs; one member representing Iowa's
- 23 approved administrator preparation programs; and one member
- 24 representing parents of Iowa elementary or secondary students.
- 25 The director may appoint additional education stakeholders.
- 26 Four members of the general assembly shall serve as ex officio,
- 27 nonvoting members of the council.
- 28 The council shall submit its findings and recommendations
- 29 to the state board of education, the governor, and the general
- 30 assembly by January 1, 2015.
- 31 The director shall consider the findings and recommendations
- 32 of the council to revise evaluator training in accordance with
- 33 Code section 256.9, subsection 63; and to develop a statewide
- 34 evaluation system and performance review requirements for
- 35 teachers and a statewide system of evaluation requirements for

- 1 administrators, which the director shall submit to the state
- 2 board of education for approval.
- 3 APPROPRIATIONS. From the appropriations made to the
- 4 department for fiscal years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015, the
- 5 department may use up to \$300,000 each year for administrative
- 6 purposes and for three full-time equivalent positions.
- 7 The bill also makes a number of technical changes.
- 8 DIVISION V IOWA TEACHER CAREER AND COMPENSATION MATTERS.
- 9 This bill establishes a framework for Iowa teacher career
- 10 paths, leadership roles, and compensation for school districts,
- 11 and repeals the provision establishing the current Iowa teacher
- 12 career path and salary minimums effective July 1, 2016; amends
- 13 the state school foundation program to provide a teacher
- 14 leadership supplement to school districts; provides for an
- 15 annual appropriation to the department of education so that
- 16 it may provide technical assistance to school districts and
- 17 area education agencies (AEAs) for design and implementation of
- 18 the framework; provides for the establishment of a commission
- 19 on educator leadership and compensation; and provides for
- 20 allocations under the student achievement and teacher quality
- 21 program, and makes other related changes to Code chapter 284,
- 22 which establishes the program.
- 23 TEACHER LEADERSHIP SUPPLEMENT. Code section 257.1,
- 24 providing for the state school foundation program, is amended
- 25 to add the teacher leadership supplement to the combined
- 26 foundation base to provide that the district cost for total
- 27 teacher leadership supplement is funded entirely through state
- 28 aid, and to add the teacher leadership supplement to the
- 29 funding sources whose amounts should not be rounded to the
- 30 nearest whole dollar when computations are made.
- 31 Code section 257.9 is amended to establish a state cost per
- 32 pupil beginning with the school budget year beginning July
- 33 1, 2014, for the teacher leadership. Code section 257.10 is
- 34 amended to provide that the district cost of the total teacher
- 35 leadership supplement shall be added to a school district's

- 1 combined district cost.
- 2 For the budget year beginning July 1, 2014, the teacher
- 3 leadership supplement district cost per pupil shall be
- 4 calculated by the department of management considering
- 5 the annual allocation of teacher leadership supplemental
- 6 aid and statewide student enrollment. For the budget year
- 7 beginning July 1, 2015, and succeeding budget years, the
- 8 teacher leadership supplement district cost per pupil for each
- 9 school district for a budget year is the teacher leadership
- 10 supplement program district cost per pupil for the base year
- 11 plus the teacher leadership supplement state allowable growth
- 12 amount for the budget year. Beginning July 1, 2015, if the
- 13 department of management determines that the unadjusted teacher
- 14 leadership supplement district cost of a school district for
- 15 a budget year is less than 100 percent of the unadjusted
- 16 teacher leadership supplement district cost for the base year
- 17 for the school district, the school district shall receive a
- 18 budget adjustment for that budget year equal to the difference.
- 19 The bill also provides that the use of the funds calculated
- 20 for the supplement shall comply with the requirements of the
- 21 student achievement and teacher quality program and shall be
- 22 distributed to teachers pursuant to the Code section which
- 23 establishes the framework.
- 24 By March 1 of the school year preceding implementation,
- 25 a school district that has been approved to implement the
- 26 framework or a comparable system may opt out of implementation
- 27 of the framework or comparable system by notifying the
- 28 department of its intent to withdraw from implementation. The
- 29 department shall notify the department of management that
- 30 the school district is no longer eligible to receive teacher
- 31 leadership supplement foundation aid.
- 32 Effective July 1, 2014, teacher leadership supplement
- 33 foundation aid for students participating in open enrollment
- 34 must be paid by a sending district to a receiving district.
- 35 FRAMEWORK AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. School districts may

1 apply to the department for approval to implement frameworks 2 or comparable systems of career paths and compensation 3 that contain differentiated multiple leadership roles. 4 department is directed to establish criteria and a process 5 for application and approval of the framework and comparable 6 systems. The bill appropriates \$500,000 from the general fund 7 of the state annually to the department to provide technical 8 assistance with not more than two full-time equivalent 9 positions to school districts and AEAs in the design and 10 implementation of the framework. In distributing and expending 11 these moneys, the department must give priority to school 12 districts with enrollments of fewer than 600 students. A 13 teacher employed by an AEA may be included in a framework 14 established by a school district if the AEA and the school 15 district enter into a contract for such purpose. 16 PLANNING GRANTS. A school district may also apply to the 17 department for a planning grant to design an implementation 18 strategy to establish the framework established or a comparable The application submitted to the department must 19 system. 20 reflect a local decision-making process that includes 21 representation of administrators, teachers, and parents and 22 guardians of students. The department is directed to establish 23 an application for the awarding of planning grants. 24 FRAMEWORK DESIGN. The framework is designed to attract able 25 and promising new teachers by offering competitive starting 26 salaries and offering short-term and long-term professional 27 development and leadership opportunities, retain effective 28 teachers by providing enhanced career opportunities, promote 29 collaboration by developing and supporting opportunities for 30 teachers in schools and school districts statewide to learn 31 from each other, reward professional growth and effective 32 teaching by providing pathways for career opportunities that 33 involve increased leadership responsibilities and increased 34 compensation, and improve student achievement by strengthening

35 instruction.

1 CAREER AND LEADERSHIP ROLES AND COMPENSATION. The framework 2 includes five career or leadership roles for teachers. 3 salary established in the bill for an initial teacher who meets 4 the requirements specified in the bill is at least \$32,000, 5 which amount also constitutes the minimum teacher salary for 6 the state. An initial teacher must meet the current definition 7 in the Code for a beginning teacher, but the initial teacher 8 must also complete a teacher residency during the first year 9 of employment that includes intensive supervision or mentoring 10 by a mentor teacher or lead teacher; sufficient collaboration 11 time to be able to observe and learn from model, mentor, 12 and lead teachers; a teaching contract that establishes an 13 employment period which is five days longer than that required 14 for career teachers; and for frequent observation, evaluation, 15 and professional development opportunities. 16 The second role, career teacher, requires the same 17 conditions as that specified in the current Iowa teacher career 18 path, but the compensation level for the career teacher is 19 unspecified in the bill. 20 The third role, model teacher, is a career teacher who 21 is evaluated by the school district as demonstrating the 22 competencies of a model teacher, has participated in a rigorous 23 review process, and has been recommended for a one-year 24 assignment as a model teacher by a site-based review council. 25 The term of the model teacher's teaching contract shall exceed 26 by five days the terms of career teachers' teaching contracts. 27 A model teacher shall receive annually a salary supplement of 28 at least \$2,000. 29 The fourth role, mentor teacher, is a teacher who is 30 evaluated by the school district as demonstrating the 31 competencies and superior teaching skills of a mentor teacher, 32 and has been recommended for a one-year assignment as a mentor 33 teacher by a site-based review council. The mentor teacher 34 must also participate in teacher professional development, 35 demonstrate continuous improvement in teaching, and possess the

- 1 skills and qualifications to assume leadership roles. A mentor 2 teacher shall have a teaching load of not more than 75 percent 3 student instruction to allow the teacher to mentor other The mentor teacher's teaching contract shall exceed 4 teachers. 5 by 10 days the terms of career teachers' teaching contracts. A 6 mentor teacher shall receive annually a salary supplement of at 7 least \$5,000. The fifth role, lead teacher, is a teacher who has been 9 recommended for a one-year assignment as a lead teacher by a 10 site-based review council. The recommendation from the council 11 must assert that the teacher possesses superior teaching skills 12 and the ability to lead adult learners. A lead teacher must 13 assume leadership roles that may include but are not limited 14 to the planning and delivery of professional development 15 activities; the facilitation of an instructional leadership 16 team within the lead teacher's building, school district, or 17 other school districts; the mentoring of other teachers; and 18 participation in the evaluation of student teachers. A lead 19 teacher shall have a teaching load of not more than 50 percent 20 student instruction to allow the lead teacher to spend time 21 on co-teaching; co-planning; peer reviews; observing career 22 teachers, model teachers, and mentor teachers; and other 23 duties mutually agreed upon by the superintendent and the lead 24 teacher. The term of the lead teacher's teaching contract 25 must exceed by 15 days the terms of career teachers' teaching 26 contracts. A lead teacher shall receive annually a salary 27 supplement of at least \$10,000. A school district shall designate at least 10 percent of its 29 teachers as model teachers, 10 percent as mentor teachers, and 30 5 percent as lead teachers, though a district may enter into 31 an agreement with one or more other districts or an AEA to meet 32 these requirements through a collaborative arrangement.
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Additional contract days must be used to strengthen
instructional leadership. The salary supplement received by
model, mentor, and lead teachers shall fully cover the salary

- 1 costs of the additional contract days. The determinations of
- 2 salary supplements are not subject to appeal.
- 3 An assignment is subject to review by the school's or the
- 4 school district's administration at least annually. The
- 5 review must include peer feedback. A teacher who completes
- 6 the time period of assignment as a model, mentor, or lead
- 7 teacher may apply to the school's or the school district's
- 8 administration for assignment in a new role if appropriate or
- 9 for reassignment.
- 10 SITE-BASED REVIEW COUNCIL. Each school board must appoint
- ll a site-based review council for the district's attendance
- 12 centers that is comprised of equal numbers of teachers,
- 13 administrators, and parents or guardians of students enrolled
- 14 in the attendance center. Attendance centers may share
- 15 a site-based review council. The council must accept and
- 16 review applications submitted to the school's or the school
- 17 district's administration for assignment as a model, mentor,
- 18 or lead teacher, and make recommendations regarding the
- 19 applications to the school district superintendent. In
- 20 developing recommendations, the council must utilize measures
- 21 of teacher effectiveness and professional growth, consider
- 22 the needs of the school district, and review the performance
- 23 and professional development of the applicants. Any teacher
- 24 recommended for assignment as a model, mentor, or lead
- 25 teacher shall have demonstrated to the council's satisfaction
- 26 competency on the Iowa teaching standards.
- 27 FRAMEWORK IMPLEMENTATION. The bill repeals Code section
- 28 284.7 and a related provision in Code section 284.8, and Code
- 29 section 284.9, relating to establishment of a review panel for
- 30 advancement under the Iowa teacher career path, effective July
- 31 1, 2016.
- 32 APPROPRIATION ALLOCATIONS. From moneys that the general
- 33 assembly appropriates for purposes of teacher leadership
- 34 supplemental aid payments to school districts for the student
- 35 achievement and teacher quality program, the bill allocates

- 1 to the department, for purposes of implementing frameworks 2 or comparable systems approved by the department, \$5 million 3 for FY 2013-2014; \$50 million for FY 2014-2015, FY 2015-2016, 4 and FY 2016-2017; and \$1.5 million for FY 2017-2018 and each 5 subsequent fiscal year. Of the moneys allocated, not more than \$1 million shall be 7 used by the department for the development of a delivery system 8 implementing the career paths and leadership roles, including 9 but not limited to planning grants to districts and AEAs, 10 technical assistance for the department, technical assistance 11 for districts and AEAs, training and staff development, and the 12 contracting of external expertise and services. Annually, of 13 these funds, the department may use not more than \$500,000 for 14 administrative purposes and for not more than five full-time 15 equivalent positions. 16 For the initial school year for which a school district 17 implements an approved system, teacher leadership supplement 18 foundation aid payable to that school district shall be paid 19 from the allocation made for such purposes for that school 20 year. For that school year, the teacher leadership supplement 21 foundation aid payable to the school district is the product of 22 the teacher leadership district cost per pupil for the school 23 year multiplied by the school district's budget enrollment. 24 For budget years subsequent to the initial school year for 25 which a school district implemented a system and received 26 funding, the teacher leadership supplement foundation aid 27 payable to that school district shall be paid from the standing 28 unlimited appropriation for state foundation aid in Code 29 section 257.16. 30 The bill establishes that the receipt of funding by a 31 school district for the purposes implementing career paths and 32 leadership roles, the need for additional funding for such
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33 purposes, or the enrollment of eligible students under this 34 chapter, shall not be considered to be unusual circumstances, 35 create an unusual need for additional funds, or qualify under

- 1 any other circumstances that may be used by the school budget
- 2 review committee to grant supplemental aid to or establish
- 3 modified allowable growth for a school district.
- 4 The bill exempts teacher leadership supplement foundation
- 5 aid from a requirement that state aid for teacher compensation
- 6 be combined with regular wages to create a combined salary.
- 7 The teacher leadership supplement district cost is not
- 8 subject to a uniform reduction that may be implemented when
- 9 the governor determines that estimated budget resources for a
- 10 fiscal year are insufficient to pay all appropriations in full.
- 11 The state board is directed to adopt rules that assure
- 12 the allocation of resources in a manner that optimizes the
- 13 fulfillment of the purposes of providing state assistance
- 14 for high-need schools and for purposes of implementing the
- 15 framework or a comparable system.
- 16 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING CONSIDERATIONS. The bill prohibits,
- 17 from July 1, 2013, to June 30, 2017, the consideration of
- 18 moneys received by a school district for implementation of
- 19 the framework by an arbitrator or other third party under
- 20 collective bargaining in determining a comparison of the wages
- 21 of the teachers in that district with the wages of teachers in
- 22 another district.
- 23 REVERSIONS AND TRANSFERS OF MONEYS. The bill establishes
- 24 that moneys allocated for the student achievement and teacher
- 25 quality program shall not revert but shall remain available in
- 26 the succeeding fiscal year for expenditure for the purposes
- 27 designated. Such moneys may not be transferred by the
- 28 department for another purpose. Currently, moneys allocated
- 29 for the establishment of teacher development academies that
- 30 remain unexpended at the end of the fiscal year shall revert
- 31 and may be transferred for other purposes.
- 32 COMMISSION ON EDUCATOR LEADERSHIP AND COMPENSATION. The
- 33 governor shall appoint members to, and the department shall
- 34 provide staffing and administrative support for, a commission
- 35 on educator leadership and compensation. The commission shall

- 1 monitor with fidelity the implementation of the framework
- 2 by school districts. The commission shall also evaluate
- 3 and make recommendations to the department on applications
- 4 submitted to the department for approval of comparable systems,
- 5 and on the expenditure of moneys appropriated for teacher
- 6 salary supplement and for planning grants. In addition, the
- 7 commission must review the use and effectiveness of state
- 8 assistance distributed to school districts for high-need
- 9 schools and, by December 15 annually, shall submit all of its
- 10 findings and any recommendations in a report to the director of
- 11 the department of education, the state board of education, the
- 12 governor, and the general assembly.
- 13 RULES. The bill directs the state board to adopt rules
- 14 for the administration of Code chapter 284, and makes related
- 15 changes. The bill includes "initial teacher" within the
- 16 definition of "beginning teacher".
- 17 MENTOR TEACHER EXPERIENCE. A teacher assigned to mentor
- 18 a beginning teacher through the beginning teacher mentoring
- 19 and induction program must under the bill have two years,
- 20 rather than the current requirement of four years of successful
- 21 teaching practice.
- 22 PERFORMANCE REVIEWS/PEER REVIEW GROUPS. From provisions
- 23 related to the performance review, which is a summative
- 24 evaluation of a teacher other than a beginning teacher, the
- 25 bill eliminates Code language that states that the review is
- 26 also used for purposes of career advancement. The bill also
- 27 eliminates a requirement that the second and third year of a
- 28 teacher's evaluation cycle be conducted by a peer review group.
- 29 The second and third year of review shall be focused on the
- 30 individual teacher professional development plan.
- 31 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PRIORITIES. Currently,
- 32 school districts and AEAs must have as a goal for the use
- 33 of state professional development funds the provision of one
- 34 additional contract day or the equivalent for professional
- 35 development. The bill strikes and replaces that language with

- 1 a requirement that districts and agencies make implementation
- 2 of the professional development provisions of the teacher
- 3 career paths and leadership roles the priority for the use of
- 4 the funds.
- 5 STATE SUPPLEMENTAL ASSISTANCE FOR HIGH-NEED SCHOOLS.
- 6 The bill provides for state assistance to encourage school
- 7 districts to provide supplemental assistance to high-need
- 8 schools.
- 9 The bill requires the department to collect relevant data
- 10 and establish a list of high-need schools which shall be
- ll eligible for state supplemental assistance. The department
- 12 must establish a process and criteria to determine which
- 13 schools are placed on the lists and must revise the lists
- 14 annually. Criteria for the determination of which high-need
- 15 schools shall be placed on the list shall be based upon factors
- 16 that include but are not limited to the socioeconomic status
- 17 of the students enrolled in the school, the percentage of
- 18 the school's student body who are limited English proficient
- 19 students, and geographic balance.
- 20 The department's determination of state supplemental
- 21 assistance for high-need schools is not subject to appeal.
- 22 Moneys received by a school district for such purpose shall be
- 23 used to supplement and not supplant the salary being received
- 24 by a teacher in a high-need school, and shall not be considered
- 25 under Code chapter 20 by an arbitrator or other third party
- 26 in determining a comparison of the wages of teachers in that
- 27 high-need school with the wages of teachers in other buildings
- 28 or in another school district.
- 29 APPROPRIATION ALLOCATION. Also from moneys that the
- 30 general assembly appropriates for purposes of the student
- 31 achievement and teacher quality program, the bill allocates to
- 32 the department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and
- 33 for each subsequent fiscal year, \$10 million for purposes of
- 34 implementing the state supplemental assistance for high-need
- 35 schools provisions. The department may use a portion of the

- 1 funds for administrative purposes. The department is directed
- 2 to develop a standardized process for distributing the moneys
- 3 to school districts, and in determining the process for
- 4 distribution of the moneys, must take into consideration the
- 5 amount of money appropriated for the given year and the minimal
- 6 amount of money needed to increase the academic achievement of
- 7 students. A school district receiving moneys for incentives
- 8 must certify annually to the department how the moneys were
- 9 used by the school district.
- 10 REVIEW AND REPORT. The department must review the use and
- ll effectiveness of the funds distributed to school districts
- 12 for supplemental assistance for high-need schools, and
- 13 must consider the commission on educator leadership and
- 14 compensation's findings and recommendations. The department
- 15 shall submit its findings and recommendations in a report to
- 16 the general assembly by January 15 annually.
- 17 UNIQUE LOCAL CONDITIONS AND NEEDS. A school district may
- 18 request on an annual basis approval from the department for
- 19 the addition of high-need schools based upon the unique local
- 20 conditions and needs of the school district. The criteria the
- 21 department uses to determine the placement of high-need schools
- 22 on its list does not restrict the department from adding a
- 23 high-need school as requested by a school district on the basis
- 24 of unique local conditions and needs.
- 25 LEGISLATIVE REVIEW. The provisions of Code chapter 284
- 26 shall be subject to legislative review at least every three
- 27 years. The review shall be based upon a status report from
- 28 the commission on educator leadership and compensation, which
- 29 shall be prepared with the assistance of the departments
- 30 of education, management, and revenue. The status report
- 31 shall review and report on the department's assignment and
- 32 utilization of full-time equivalent positions, and shall
- 33 include information on teacher retention, teacher compensation,
- 34 academic quality of beginning teachers, teacher evaluation
- 35 results, student achievement trend and comparative data,

1 and recommendations for changes to the teacher leadership 2 supplement foundation aid and the framework or comparable 3 systems approved pursuant to this section. The first status 4 report shall be submitted to the general assembly by January 5 15, 2017, with subsequent status reports prepared and submitted 6 to the general assembly by January 15 at least every third year 7 thereafter. ATTENDANCE CENTER PERFORMANCE RANKINGS - PERFORMANCE INDEX. 9 The department must develop criteria and a process for school 10 districts to use to establish specific performance goals and to 11 evaluate the performance of each attendance center operated by 12 the district in order to arrive at an overall performance index 13 for each attendance center. The criteria shall include student 14 academic growth, parent involvement, student attendance, 15 employee turnover, and community activities and involvement. 16 The department shall also develop an achievement score that 17 calculates aggregate growth as well as aggregate proficiency 18 of students which when combined with other academic indicators 19 results in an overall school performance index for each 20 attendance center in the school district. The performance 21 index shall be used as one measure to rank and classify schools 22 into six different performance categories: exceptional, 23 high performing, commendable, acceptable, needs improvement, 24 and priority. The categories may be used to define support 25 and specialized assistance to schools classified as needs 26 improvement or priority as well as to recognize schools 27 designated exceptional or high performing. 28 Additionally, a closing gap score shall be calculated as 29 another measure to determine subgroup performance and to rank 30 and classify attendance centers. Other academic indicators 31 shall be defined as criterion referenced variables that will be 32 utilized in the calculation of the performance index. Other 33 academic indicators shall include graduation rates, attendance 34 rates, and college-readiness rates. Additional indicators of 35 academic success and progress may include post-graduation data,

- 1 suspension and expulsion rates, levels of student engagement,
- 2 parent satisfaction, parent engagement, and staff working
- 3 conditions.
- 4 The department shall submit its findings and recommendations
- 5 in a report to the state board of education, the governor, and
- 6 the general assembly by November 15, 2013.
- 7 PILOT PROGRAM FOR EXTENDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR
- 8 STUDENTS IN NEED. The department of education must develop
- 9 a pilot program plan in collaboration with three school
- 10 districts, utilizing evidence-based best practices, to provide
- 11 students in need with extended learning opportunities. The
- 12 department shall present the plan and any findings and
- 13 recommendations in a report to the state board of education,
- 14 the governor, and the general assembly by December 16, 2013.
- 15 CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE. The bill directs the Code editor
- 16 to delete Code references in the bill with respect to future
- 17 repeals of Code provisions.
- 18 DIVISION VI COMPETENCY-BASED INSTRUCTION TASK FORCE. The
- 19 bill adds to the duties of the competency-based instruction
- 20 task force established by the general assembly in 2012
- 21 by requiring the task force to develop a draft strategic
- 22 plan and proposed timeline for statewide implementation of
- 23 competency-based learning for consideration by the general
- 24 assembly. The provision takes effect upon enactment.
- 25 DIVISION VII EXTENDED LEARNING TIME PILOT PROJECT MODEL
- 26 APPROPRIATION. The department of education is directed to
- 27 develop a proposed model for an extended learning time pilot
- 28 project and the bill appropriates \$40,000 from the general
- 29 fund of the state for FY 2013-2014 for purposes of developing
- 30 the model. In developing the model, the department shall
- 31 consider the recommendations submitted in the final report
- 32 of the instructional time task force, as well as existing,
- 33 successful extended time learning opportunities offered within
- 34 and outside of the state. Three program proposals representing
- 35 school districts of varied sizes, geographical locations,

- 1 and socio-economic status shall be included in the model.
- 2 Component measures, criteria, and associated benchmarks for
- 3 selecting participants and gauging success for the model are
- 4 specified in the bill. The department shall also recommend
- 5 potential funding sources for the full implementation of the
- 6 proposed model for extended learning time pilot projects and
- 7 of future sustained extended time learning efforts. The
- 8 department shall submit the proposed model and the department's
- 9 findings and recommendations in a report to the state board of
- 10 education, the governor, and the general assembly by December
- 11 16, 2013.